



Remnants Walk

The one claiming to rest in Him, ought to walk, himself, even as He walked. (1 John 2:6)

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We encourage all those who consider themselves to be true believers to ask: “which congregation do I belong to? The true faith our Savior Yahshua the Messiah set down in the year 30 CE, or the false doctrine, drenched in paganism and sun worship, as set down by Constantine in 325 CE?” The two are vastly different and we cannot serve two masters. (*Matthew 6:24*)

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Personal

by Don Esposito

Greetings Brethren,

And Shalom in the wonderful names of Yahweh and Yahshua; the name above all names. As another Roman year is ending and another new one is starting I want to reflect in this Personal on just where we are in the amazing, unbelievable plan of Yahweh. I can honestly say in my some-odd 33 years in this true faith of Yahweh that I have never felt so inspired and excited about a new era of time that we are entering into than now.

Last year was the Shemita or 7th and last year of the cycle that just ended this past October 2016. And in that last 7 year cycle that just ended we saw some amazing world events happen such as the Arab Spring and the changing of the whole Middle East, as well as the shaping of end time Turkey as the revival of the old Ottoman Empire. Turkey also emerged as an Islamic powerhouse for the first time since the end of World War 1 and the ending of the Ottoman Empire. Turkey will most certainly be the leading nation in the upcoming Psalm 83 war, in which all the countries listed in Psalm 83 were all part of the former Ottoman Empire.

Also, the last 7 year cycle saw what many called "*The Great Recession*" in which all world markets tumbled and many G20 countries in Europe, the USA, Russia, and China printed extraordinary amounts of paper money to nearly bring down the world economy. And the crisis is far from over. The last 7 year cycle also saw a substantial rise in major earthquakes above 6.0, and even many that were between 7.0 and 8.0. The earthquakes have been worldwide and not limited to one particular area. The last 7 year cycle also saw a major increase to world terrorism and the rise of ISIS who committed atrocities including murders and beheadings that have not been seen since the Middle Ages, and even declared their own state and Caliphate (religious leader).

Rev 20:4 *And I saw thrones, and they sat on them. And judgment was given to them, and **the souls of the ones having been beheaded because of the witness of Yahshua**, and because of the Word of YAHWEH, and who had not worshiped the beast nor its image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand. And they lived and reigned with Messiah a thousand years.*

The last 7 year cycle also saw a dramatic increase in immorality and the acceptance of homosexual lifestyles with even the United States Supreme Court ruling that homosexual marriage is a guaranteed civil right. And although much of the prophetic happenings of the last 7 year cycle were negative in nature there were also many discoveries and archaeological finds in Israel that were very exciting and inspiring. The original Gilgal made in the shape of a sandal was found, along with several other Gilgal sites, proving the authenticity of Scripture. Tel Kayafah or Biblical Shaaraim was found right at the place where David fought Goliath, and was proven to be a city inhabited by Israelites from the very time that King David reigned as king over Israel.

And what was the most important find, not only of the last 7 year cycle, but of the last 3,000 years, the rebuilding of Mount Zion and the discovery of the Tabernacle of David. The original stella stone for the promise of the Covenant from Yahweh to King David was found in the Holy of Holies in the Tabernacle.

Amo 9:11 *In that day I will raise up the Sukkoth of David that has fallen, and I will wall up its breaks. And I will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as the days of old;*

They also found in the City of David a small golden pomegranate bell that was worn by the High Priest during the time of the First Temple.

This is why I am so excited in writing this Personal to you in December of 2016. Do you realize how blessed we are, as the very Spirit-begotten children of Yahweh, to be called as first-fruits in His Kingdom? Do you realize how blessed we are that Yahweh has given us eyes to see and ears to hear and understand these amazing prophetic signs that He has given, not to the world, but only to His called out elect? Do you realize how special it is to live at this particular time in history; to see Yahweh's restoration work from Israel being accomplished and to see prophecy being fulfilled with our very own eyes, and even greater, to be a part of this very work of Yahweh from Jerusalem in restoring all things, and preparing for rulership with Yahshua at His return?

An election just took place in the United States; and as I write, President-Elect Donald Trump beat Hilary Clinton and is putting together his cabinet to prepare to run the government of the USA after January 20th, 2017. Mr. Trump is not the president yet, but there is excitement within his followers because he already has won and qualified to be president, and they are preparing for the many changes that they will make when he takes office. President-Elect Trump is looking for the people with the best qualifications for the cabinet positions that he needs to fill, to bring the lasting changes that will benefit the people the most.

Likewise, Yahshua Messiah has defeated Satan the Devil when He died on the torture stake and paid the penalty for the sins of mankind. And Yahshua is also putting together His cabinet with us, and preparing each of us for the great job ahead that we will have in changing this world when He returns. That is why we need to get ready now for the great position that Yahshua has set apart for us, and give our full dedication to preparing for being honored to serve when He returns.

John 14:2 *There are many rooms (positions) in my Father's house, and if not I would have told you so. For I go to prepare a place for you.*

John 14:3 *And if I go and prepare a place for you, I am coming again and will receive you to Myself, that where I am you may be also.*

The Ambassador for Israel program is geared to prepare the true covenant believer to whatever position that Yahshua will give him when He comes back to this earth. What could be more important at this stage of history than preparing for the soon coming position that Yahshua will give to us upon His return? If we truly believe the word of Yahweh to be true, then preparing for His Kingdom should be the highest priority in our lives.

So, this is why I am so excited as this new 7 year cycle is now beginning; because I know that from all the prophecies that have already come to pass that there can only be one or maybe 2 more cycles of seven before the Jubilee year and the return of Yahshua and the Kingdom of Yahweh. And I also know that since we are getting that close, and since Yahweh revealed the Tabernacle of David in the last 7 year cycle that this 7 year cycle will have even more extreme and exciting changes, and prophetic fulfillments as the Kingdom of Yahweh draws on.

But there is still a great work to do in this cycle of 7 that Yahweh has given to us, and there is work in our character that each of us needs to change in order to qualify for our position in the millennial Kingdom. To be alive now at the end of days, and to be alive now when Yahshua will return to this earth and set up His Kingdom is no accident. Yahweh called each of us for a purpose and has prepared each of us for ***this*** very 7 year cycle that we are entering into. Yes, it's crunch time! It's time to fulfil the great purpose that Yahweh has called each of us for! Yes, we have each been called, "***For such a time as this***" (Esther 4:14).

I pray that each of you reading this is as excited as I am for this next 7 year cycle that has now begun!

B'Shem Yahshua

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For if you are completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance shall rise up to the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house shall perish. And who knows if you have attained to the kingdom for such a time as this? Ester 4:14

In this fast paced world where time seems to be rushing by and where problems multiply faster than the speed of light, sometimes we need to pause, stand back and assess what is really happening around us. Environment is 90% of our battle as believers and our mindset within that environment is 90% of that. That is why it is crucial to keep a positive mental outlook and to keep our prayer and Bible study at an optimal level always.

As when we first come into the truth it seems we are so eager and excited about the truth of Yahweh. It seems we are so zealous and thankful for simply being called out of the great darkness of our lives and called to Yahweh's most wonderful truth.

However, then as time goes on and life continues we tend to sometimes allow our focus to wane and our biblical habits to fade; and unfortunately for some, they even lose their sanctification away from the world through a variety of different means.

It is to all those that I want to write this article, to all those who have been waning and fading and maybe even feeling guilt for not following through as you know you ought to. But, this is not an article of judgment, but one of encouragement. I would like to remind you of the very things, which are our very salvation, that originally gave us that zeal and love for the truth of Yahweh. Yahshua speaks to the congregation of Ephesus and states the following:

Rev 2:4-5 *Nevertheless, I have something against you, because you left your first love. Then remember from where you have fallen, and repent, and do the first works. And if not, I am coming to you quickly, and will remove your menorah from its place, unless you repent.*

Yahshua admonishes this congregation to renew their first love. They at one time had this true love of Yahweh, Yahshua and His truth, but as I mentioned, the cares of life and other things entering came in and stole that love away. The first thing one must do to recapture their first love is to recollect and remember the things that initially brought them to the truth. Think about finding out the blessing of Yahweh's true Sabbath for the first time and the many blessings that keeping the Sabbath has brought you throughout your time as a believer.

Think of Yahweh's Holy Days and the blessing of being a first-fruit, who is privileged in keeping the yearly Passover memorial correctly, and even when we fall that Yahshua still year after year allows us to continue to be a covenant disciple of His.

Think of all the wonderful Sukkots that you have been blessed to partake of, and if you have ever come to Israel before, then thank Him a million times over for being able to even step your foot on the very Promised Land of Yahweh, when so many believers around the world have never had this blessing even once. Think of how blessed your life is that you have been called out of Satan's sick, warped world of drugs, and alcohol and homosexuality and every evil you can imagine and that you have been called into Yahweh's marvelous light.

Rev 5:8 *And when He took the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty four elders fell down before the Lamb, each one having harps, and golden bowls full of incenses, which are the prayers of the saints.*

Think of the greatest honor and privilege in life; that as children of Yahweh we can get on our hands and knees anywhere in the world and go directly in prayer to our heavenly Father's throne and bring our petitions before Him. Think about the fact that when we were called out of darkness to Yahweh's marvelous light that we had already committed sins worthy of death, and that Yahweh loved us enough that while we were yet sinners He sent His son to die for us and pay the penalty of those sins that we may be righteous before Him (2 Cor 5:21). Think about how much Yahweh loved us that He would not be ashamed to call us brethren, and even more than that, has chosen each of us to be collectively His very bride at His return.

Whatever we focus on becomes most real to us, and many are focusing on worldly things; and that is why they cannot see the times we are living in, and they are not experiencing the joy and blessing that they should in their lives with the Spirit of Yahweh dwelling in us and setting us apart as sons and daughters of His. Yet, let me admonish each of you that all the signs that Yahshua gave us to see that we are in the end times and the last generation, are upon us. Israel, the fig tree, is a nation again for 69 years now.

Mat 24:32-34 *But learn the parable of the fig tree when its branch becomes tender and it puts out leaves, you know that the summer is near; **33** so also you, when you see all these things, know that it is near at the doors. **34** Truly I say to you, **In no way will this generation pass away until all these things have occurred.***

Many of the prophecies Yahshua warned about in the Olivet prophecies are coming alive right before our eyes.

Mat 24:3-5 *And as He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, Tell us, when will these things be? And, what is the sign of Your coming and of the end of the age? **4** And answering, Yahshua said to them, See that no man deceives you. **5** For many will come in My name, saying, I am the Messiah. And they will cause many to be deceived.*

There has never been such deception and false doctrine ever in the 2,000 year history of the congregation due to the rise of the Internet; and many are falling away and being deceived and even denying Yahshua as Messiah.

Mat 24:6 *For you are bound to hear of revolutions and rumor of wars. Watch out and do not be disturbed, for it is necessary that all these things happen, but it is not yet the end. **7** For nation will be raised against nation and kingdom against kingdom; and there will be famines and plagues and earthquakes against many places. **8** But all these are a beginning of sorrows.*

There are currently more wars and revolutions going on worldwide than ever before, and it has exploded in the Middle East with the Arab Spring since the fall of 2010.

Luk 21:11 *And there will be severe earthquakes from place to place and famine and plagues. And there will be fears and terrorist acts and great signs will be seen from Heaven. And the winters will be severe.*

In the history of the world there has never been so many major earthquakes worldwide, and terror in the last decade has sky-rocketed out of control. Yahshua stated that this generation will be compared to both the days of Noah and the days of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Gen 6:11 *And the earth was corrupt before the Elohim, and the earth was filled with violence.*

In the days of Noah the earth was corrupt and filled with violence as we see today. Interesting enough the word for violence in Hebrew is “Hamas”, who is a branch of the Muslim Brotherhood, so the scripture in the original Hebrew is telling us that Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood would bring violence to the earth in these end times.

It also said that it would be like Sodom and Gomorrah, which were filled with homosexuals, but our time is even worse, because the New World Order is trying to brainwash humans into thinking that this is somehow a normal, natural act, instead of the vile, wicked, perversion; which it is.

Rom 1:24 *Because of this, YAHWEH gave them up to filthy lusts of their hearts, and their bodies to be dishonored among themselves,*

Rom 1:25 *who changed the truth of YAHWEH into the lie, and worshiped and served the created thing more than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.*

Rom 1:26 *Because of this, YAHWEH gave them up to dishonorable passions, for even their females changed the natural use of their sex to that contrary to nature.*

Rom 1:27 *And so also their males forsook the use of females, which is natural, and burned with lust toward one another, male with male, they did what is shameful, and received in themselves the just recompense of their error.*

We are living in these times. Also, it stated above in Luke 21:11 that winters will be severe. No matter where you live on this planet you are seeing that the weather patterns are totally out of whack and each year the winters seem to get worse and worse, even recording the temperature last winter in one place on earth to be 135 degrees below zero.

Mat 24:20 *And pray that your flight will not occur in winter nor on the Sabbath.*

We no longer need to ask why this scripture states this as we are living in those days. Also, the time for end time Babylon and its system of covetousness and greed is coming to an end.

Jer 25:11 *And this whole land shall be a waste and a horror; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.*

Jer 25:12 *And it shall be, when seventy years are fulfilled, I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, and the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity, says YAHWEH; and I will make it everlasting ruins.*

The seventy years of Babylon are nearly over and those living in Babylon, as well as those living in the nations need to start preparing for how the world will be different when Babylon falls; and those living in Babylon need to NOW take serious the 7 direct commands to flee the land of Babylon or take the direct wrath of Yahweh on them.

Rev 18:4 *And I heard another voice out of Heaven saying, leave the land of her, My people, that you may not share in her sins, and that you may not receive of her plagues;*

There will be no one who survives in Babylon, not even one.

Jer 50:40 *As Elohim overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and their neighbors, states YAHWEH, so no man shall live there, nor shall a son of man stay in it.*

We have seen signs in the heavens and blood moons on Holy Days as markers as predicted in Joel 2:31 and Luke 21:25. Yahweh also has given us the heavenly sign from the Hebrew Mazzaroth.

The Mazzaroth are the 12 constellations that are on the ecliptic circle that the sun appears in each one for approximately 30 days each year. This yearly procession, each and every year from Creation, has told the plan of Yahweh in the heavenly bodies.

There is also something called the procession of the equinoxes. This is the fact that because of the earth's wobble on its axis, about every 2000 years or so the earth moves in a way that at the equinox and the beginning of the year, the sun would be in a different constellation. This has told the plan of Yahweh in the heavens from Creation. At Creation the vernal equinox and year started at the constellation of the ox. In Hebrew the ox was the original word picture of the first letter in the Hebrew alphabet called "*aleph*" and denotes headship and strength as an ox denotes strength.

We also know in Scripture Yahshua is called the "*Aleph*" and the "*Tav*"; the aleph being the first letter in the alphabet and the tav being the last letter in the alphabet. The Mazzaroth turned about the time of the making of the covenant with Abraham and at that time the year was now starting when the sun was in the constellation of the ram. We know the ram was Yahweh's provision to Abraham, instead of his son Isaac, to be sacrificed and was symbolic of Elohim providing His only Son Yahshua as the substitute for each of our sins, if we believe in Him and repent.

Then, when Yahshua was born, the Mazzaroth turned again and the year started when the sun was in the constellation of the fish; the fish being a sign of Yahshua coming and making us fishers of men. Also in Gen 48:16 when Jacob blessed Ephraim and Manasseh he also gave them this blessing.

Gen 48:16 *The Messenger that redeemed me from every evil, may He bless the youths; and may my name be called on them, and the name of my father's Abraham and Isaac, and **may they like fishes grow into a multitude** in the midst of the earth.*

It is also interesting to note that the symbol of the tribe of both Ephraim and Manasseh is the ox. And now in these last days it is most interesting that the Mazzaroth is in the process of changing again in this coming decade to the sign of the man bearing a vessel as the water pourer. Since it takes more than 2,000 years for each changeover in the Mazzaroth, it takes about 10 years to know for sure the change has occurred. This is clearly showing the Messianic age is ready to emerge and Yahshua, the great King, who has the only true living water, will be pouring it out all over the earth during His millennial reign.

Joh 7:37 *Now on the great day, which is the last of the feast (The eighth day), Yahshua was standing and He cried out and said, If a man thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.*

Joh 7:38 *Anyone who believes in me as the scriptures have said, **rivers of living water will flow from his belly.***

Rev 22:1 *And he showed me **a pure river of water of life**, bright as crystal, coming forth out of the throne of YAHWEH and of the Lamb.*

Even the pagan astrologers call this constellation '*Aquarius*' which means water bearer or cup carrier. Clearly by the signs in the heavens Yahweh is showing that the bridegroom is coming out of His chamber.

And let's not forget about the amazing sign of the Tabernacle of David being found and rebuilt for Messiah's return.

Amo 9:11 *In that day I will raise up the Sukkoth of David that has fallen, and I will wall up its breaks. And I will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as the days of old;*

But the good news is that Scripture also states the following:

Mat 24:14 *And this good news of the Kingdom shall be published in all the earth for a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.*

Yahweh is showing us every sign imaginable that the end times are upon us and the Kingdom of Yahweh is coming very soon. What could be more important in our life than working for Yahweh in this great end time commission of bringing His good news to a world that sorely needs it?

Very soon there will be a famine of the Word of Yahweh and this work from Jerusalem will end.

Amo 8:11-12 *Behold, the days are coming, declares Adonai YAHWEH, that I will send a famine into the land, not a famine for bread, nor a thirst for water, but rather a famine for hearing the Words of YAHWEH. 12 And they shall stagger from sea to sea, and from the north even to east; they shall roam about to seek the Word of YAHWEH, and they shall not find it.*

However, right now, Yahweh is putting an open door before us like never before:

Rev 3:8 *I know your works. Behold, I have given a door being opened before you, and no one is able to shut it, for you have a little strength and have kept My Word, and have not denied My name.*

This door will not stay open forever and when world war comes it will be too late. Remember the warning that Yahshua gave to those invited to the wedding supper who refused to come.

Mat 22:2-5, 8-10 *The kingdom of Heaven is compared to a man, a king, who made a wedding feast for his son. 3 And he sent his slaves to call those being invited to the wedding feast, but they did not desire to come. 4 Again, he sent other slaves, saying, Tell the ones invited, behold, I have prepared my supper; my oxen, and the fatlings are killed, and all things ready; come to the wedding feast. 5 But they sneered at it and they went away, one to his own field, and one to his trading. 8 Then he said to his slaves, Indeed, the wedding feast is **ready**, but those invited were not worthy. 9 Then go onto the exits of the highways and call to the wedding feast as many as you may find. 10 And going out into the highways, those slaves gathered all, as many as they found, both evil and good. **And the wedding feast was filled with reclining guests.***

I am telling you from the bottom of my soul that the time is **SHORT** and the time to work for Yahweh is **NOW!** If not, you risk being one of those in the parable above who will miss out on the Kingdom and be thrown in the Lake of Fire. What could be more important than Yahweh's Kingdom and the many souls out there that still need to hear this good-news message? Let's look at the story of Queen Esther to put this in perspective.

Est 4:13-14 *And Mordecai said to take back to Esther, Do not imagine within yourself to deliver yourself in the king's house more than all the Jews. 14 **For if you are completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance shall rise up to the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house shall perish. And who knows if you have attained to the kingdom for such a time as this?***

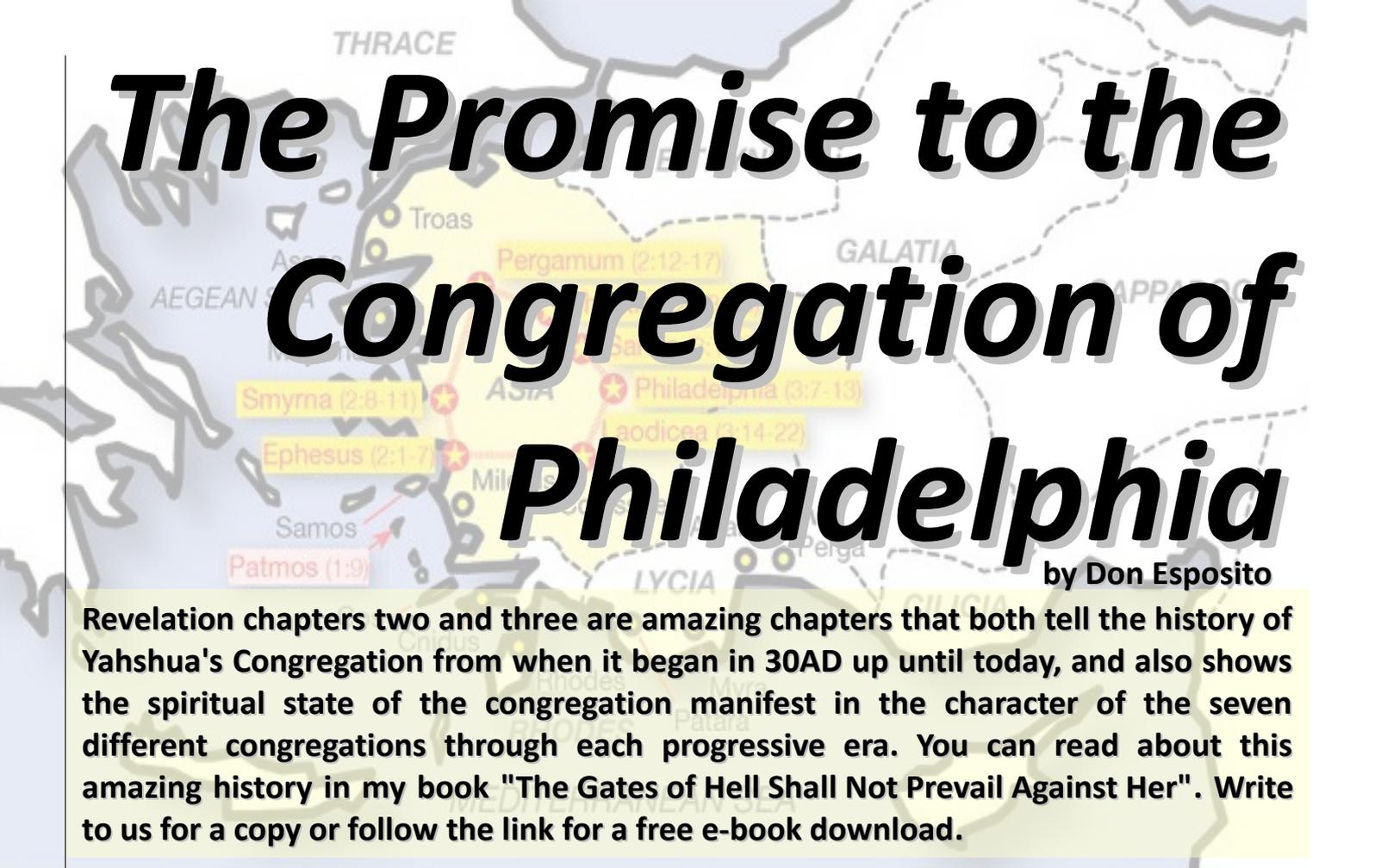
Yes, the rocks will cry out if they have to because the Kingdom of Yahweh is moving ahead and will come to this earth in our very lifetime! Can you imagine that in maybe the next 10-12 years or so that Yahshua will actually be here with us during Sukkot and the Holy Days, right here in Jerusalem leading the services to worship Him and Yahweh.

Each and every Holy Day we keep here in Jerusalem we have what Leviticus 23:7 calls a "holy gathering" and this word can also mean "a rehearsal". We rehearse with joy and singing and worship in anticipation for our wonderful Savior's return and the setting up of the Kingdom of Yahweh. What a blessing it is for those who are blessed to be with us each Sukkot as we count down to the one Sukkot that Yahshua will be here in Jerusalem with us.

The time is Now, and Yahweh has called each of us according to the ability He gave each of us. How do you know if your whole purpose for living and being called by Yahweh, and that everything you have gone through in your life until now is, as it states in Esther, "**FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS?!**"

Thank You Yahweh for calling each of us, and thank You Yahshua for Your love and mercy and grace; to have suffered and paid the penalty for our sins. May we work to bear fruit for that soon coming Kingdom while it is still called day, as the night comes soon where no man will work (John 9:4) and may we use the gifts that Yahweh has given to each of us for Yahweh's Kingdom, **for such a time as this.** Come Master Yahshua, Come!

Rev 22:20 The One testifying these things says, **Yes, I am coming quickly. Amen. Yes, come, Master Yahshua!** ■



The Promise to the Congregation of Philadelphia

by Don Esposito

Revelation chapters two and three are amazing chapters that both tell the history of Yahshua's Congregation from when it began in 30AD up until today, and also shows the spiritual state of the congregation manifest in the character of the seven different congregations through each progressive era. You can read about this amazing history in my book "The Gates of Hell Shall Not Prevail Against Her". Write to us for a copy or follow the link for a free e-book download.

In this article I want to focus on the end time aspect of Revelation 2 and 3 instead of the historical one. There are seven congregations mentioned and since they are also progressive in nature the overall characteristic of the entire end time congregation is of the Laodicean Congregation.

A congregation that is lukewarm and halfhearted One that will compromise on Yahweh's Word whenever it is not convenient to obey it. A congregation that has much self-righteousness and thinks it is a spiritual giant compared to the immoral world around them, but actually is so blinded by their self-righteousness that they don't see any need for change.

Rev 3:16-17 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to vomit you out of My mouth. **17** Because you say, I am rich, and I am made rich, and I have need of nothing, and do not know that you are miserable and a wanderer and poor and blind and naked.

Since we are in the Laodicean era of Yahshua's Congregation each of us should periodically check ourselves to make sure we are not slowly becoming lukewarm Laodiceans. It can happen faster than one may think.

If you are not able to take correction, if you think you know more than most people, and if you don't take a stand in the congregation in support of the leadership that Yahweh ordained and placed, then you may very well be on your way to the road to Laodicea.

But, the congregation that I want to focus on in this article is the congregation of Philadelphia. I believe that the first five congregations that we read about in Revelation 2 and 3 are actual characteristics of real congregations today.

Take for instance; if you look at the admonition to the Sardis congregation we see the following:

Rev 3:1-3 And to the messenger of the congregation in Sardis, write: These things says the One having the seven spirits of Elohim, and the seven stars: **I know your works, that you have the name that you live, and are dead. 2** Be watching, and establish the things which remain, which are about to die. For I have not found your works being fulfilled before **YAHWEH. 3** Then remember how you received and heard, and keep, and repent. If, then, you do not watch, I will come upon you like a thief and you will not at all know what hour I come upon you.

This is clearly speaking about The Church of God groups. The Church of God at one time was the largest and strongest part of the true body of Messiah, but after they rejected the name of the Creator Yahweh and His Son Yahshua they continued to go off track until today; they are a spiritually dead church instead of a living part of the true Congregation of Yahshua. Their congregations are minuscule and they are teaching sermons from 40 and 50 years ago, and they also have no concept of prophecy or what Yahweh is doing in the world or in the congregation today.

Another clearly defined congregation in Revelation chapter two is Thyatira.

Rev 2:19 *I know your works, and the love, and your service, and the faith, and your patience, and your works; and the last being more than the first.*

Rev 2:20 *But I have a few things against you, that you allow the woman Jezebel to teach, she saying herself to be a prophetess, and to cause My servants to go astray, and to commit fornication, and to eat idol sacrifices.*

Rev 2:21 *And I gave time to her that she might repent of her fornication. And she did not repent.*

This can be speaking of no other than the 7th Day Adventists, who at one time were part of the true remnant of Yahshua until they started to use Ellen White's dreams as a litmus test to a believer's conversion. It is also interesting that it mentions about them eating idol sacrifices and 7th day Adventists truly make food an idol, and even persuade their members to become vegetarians and abstain from all use of wine, even on Yahshua's Passover.

So, as we see the first 5 congregations are literal churches today, and each one except for Smyrna is told to repent or else they may lose out on entering the Kingdom of Yahweh. In contrast, the last two congregations mentioned, Philadelphia and Laodicea, are spiritual conditions that brethren have acquired. We have spoken about Laodicea so now let's go on to the most important congregation of Philadelphia.

Philadelphia means 'city of brotherly love', and their overriding characteristic is that they have not let the sinful and immoral system around them take away their greatest asset; the very love of Yahshua and Yahweh, living daily in their lives. This congregation has no identifying marks against them, but actually Yahshua gives them 4 promises for this end time that we are living in, to receive if they continue to be faithful as Philadelphians.

Rev 3:7 *And to the messenger of the congregation in Philadelphia, write: These things says the Holy One, the True One, "The One having the key of David, the One opening, and no one shuts; and shuts, and no one opens:"*

I believe this first promise cannot be overstated as Yahshua promises to give an open door for His end time restoration work from Jerusalem, and even states that He will personally reveal the "Key of David" to this congregation so as there will be no doubt to who they are and the authority of their work.

I was blessed in 2014 to have Yahweh reveal to me what the Key of David is and to actually see the Tabernacle of David with my own eyes and share this amazing revelation with the brethren that Yahweh has given eyes to see and ears to hear.

Rev 3:13 *The one who has an ear, hear what the Spirit says to the congregations.*

There can be no greater sign to the end time remnant of Yahshua than The Key of David, as it actually not only reveals the very cornerstone of the millennial Temple to be built in Jerusalem, but it clearly proves Yahshua as Messiah and the eternal partner with Yahweh from everlasting.

But, as mentioned, this amazing sign can only be understood by those that Yahweh gave eyes to see and ears to hear; others will continue to roam the Internet for every false sign and prophecy, sounding good at the time but never coming to pass, then moving to the next false sign and prophecy. You can read the Key of David article at www.coyhwh.com

The other promise Yahshua makes here is to put an open door before His end time restoration work from Jerusalem to the nations that no man can shut. Let me tell you quite frankly, I would have never imagined in a thousand years when we started the Matthew 24 project back in 2011 that we would be going from getting 400 to 500 people a day coming to our website to 3 to 4 million a year and growing. I would have never imagined that we would be getting more than 1 million Bible downloads a year and millions more downloads of sermons, books, Remnant's Walk articles, etc.

Yahweh has blessed this end time work from Israel in ways that no one could have ever imagined, and He has blessed His end time remnant to come each year from all over the world and appear before Him at Feast time as He prophesied (Ezek 36:38). What a great honor it has been in my life to be chosen and allowed by Him to host these Feast days for the last 15 years from the Holy City of Jerusalem. Let me also say, that by sharing the blessings that Yahweh has bestowed on this work from Jerusalem, in no way does it take away or diminish the good work being done by other remnants of Yahshua's congregation in other areas.

Yahshua has put an open door to this work and we are getting requests weekly and monthly for new congregations from all over the world that want to join and partner with me from Jerusalem in this fantastic end time restoration work of Yahweh from Israel to the nations. In Africa alone our congregations have tripled in size in just the last year and we have many more requests that cannot even be handled. Truly the harvest is ready and the laborers few.

However, let's not take this open door for granted as the Scripture also says at the appointed time that Yahshua will close this great door that He has opened when this work is complete. Let us never take for granted the wonderful role that Yahshua has given to each of us who have freely decided to join this wonderful end time work from Jerusalem, and let us each use our spiritual gifts to magnify and grow the fruit that Yahweh is blessing us with.

And look why Yahweh is blessing the Philadelphia congregation so much.

Rev 3:8 *I know your works. Behold, I have given a door being opened before you, and no one is able to shut it, **for you have a little strength and have kept My Word, and have not denied My name.***

Yahweh is blessing the Philadelphia congregation because, number one, their whole life and purpose is on His end time work, and also because they have not denied His name. This is not just abstaining from using pagan titles such as god, lord, and Jesus, but it also means that they are giving all glory for the blessings that they are receiving to the very name and being of Yahweh Almighty!

It means they are not diminishing the personage of Yahshua Messiah as the eternal partner of Yahweh, and also giving Yahshua full recognition for the great ransom sacrifice that He personally made for each of us who repent of our sins and accept His sacrifice for the forgiveness of those sins. They are also realizing that there is salvation and eternal life in no other name but Yahshua. Then verse 9 states:

Rev 3:9 *Behold, I give out of the synagogue of Satan those saying themselves to be Jews, and they are not, but they lie. Behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, **and they shall know that I loved you.***

When Yahshua walked this earth almost 2,000 years ago many people mocked and scorned Him and did not believe in His message, which came directly from Yahweh. Yahweh states in the book of Philippians that in the Kingdom all will give reverence to Yahshua as King of Kings and Master of Masters.

Php 2:9 *For this reason also, YAHWEH highly exalted Him and gave Him a name above every name,*

Php 2:10 *that at the name of Yahshua "every knee should bow," of those in heaven, and those on earth, and those under the earth,*

Php 2:11 *and "every tongue should confess" that Yahshua Messiah is YAHWEH, (the Son) to the glory of YAHWEH His Father.*

In like manner in Rev 3:9 Yahshua is promising to the faithful Philadelphians that all of the rebellious mockers and scoffers in the last days will be forced to admit their error and acknowledge the work of the Philadelphia congregation in these last days. And these self-willed mockers will know that it is because of Yahshua's great love for His congregational bride that He has done this.

It should be a stark warning to all of the Laodicean minded people out there who cannot be part of a congregation, or work together with any part of Yahshua's congregation, that they will not be in His Kingdom at His return. The very essence of what Yahshua is doing in these end times is getting His true remnant bride to deny themselves and fight their corrupted human nature, and to submit to Yahshua and the ordained leadership that He Himself has placed, and follow His judicial order.

If someone is out on their own, with no headship, they would never learn the characteristics needed to become an unselfish Philadelphian believer. Love is submission of our will to the will of Yahweh, and love is denying our own selfish wants and desires to the betterment of the congregation at large. One could never learn any of these most important principles if they have separated themselves from the Body of Messiah.

Then, Yahshua gives the next promise to the Philadelphian believer:

Rev 3:10 Because you kept the Word of My patience, I also will keep you out of the hour of trial which is going to come upon all the world in order to try those dwelling on the earth.

So many through the years have come through the doors of Yahshua's true remnant congregation only to continue to keep walking, over a lack of Elohim guided patience. Either they personally did not get their own way in a given matter, or maybe some prophecy they thought would happen at a certain time never came to pass, and they lost interest through personal ambition and left the very Body of Messiah that they had found.

However, the true Philadelphian has built the Elohim guided patience through submission to the Holy Spirit and is unwavering in His faith in Yahweh and Yahshua, and doesn't question what Yahshua is doing in His congregation, which was bought with His very own blood. And as a reward for this patience, which is only built on true and living faith, Yahshua promises to keep them out of the punishment of the horrible tribulation that is about ready to come on the entire earth.

They have already proved to Yahshua by their love for Him and His congregation that they are steadfast and loyal, and no trial or trick of the adversary will move them from the loyal service that they have been committing to Yahshua over their life as a true believer. They have already come out of the world and are living sanctified lives and abhor the worldly society set up by Satan.

They took their calling serious and have already worked on overcoming and enduring until the end. They have worked on the 9 fruits of the Holy Spirit year after year, and they are already praying without ceasing and fully committed to being a servant of Yahweh and Yahshua forever.

And because of their love and loyalty to Yahweh and Yahshua, they also are loyal to the elders that Yahshua has ordained and they have proved to Yahshua that their loyalty is to Yahweh and Yahshua alone. They are also a living, active part of Yahshua's congregation and they are serving their fellow brethren in any way possible and praying without ceasing each and every day of their life.

Yahshua ends this wonderful message to the congregation of Philadelphia with following:

Rev 3:11 Behold, I am coming quickly. Hold what you have that no one take your crown.

Rev 3:12 The one overcoming, I will make him a pillar in the sanctuary of My Elohim, and he shall not go out any more. And I will write the name of My Elohim on him, and the name of the city of My Elohim, the New Jerusalem which comes down out of Heaven from My Elohim, and My new name.

Rev 3:13 The one who has an ear, hear what the Spirit says to the congregations.

He lets those who have eyes to see and ears to hear know that the time is indeed short and He will be coming back to this earth in the next short coming years. And He also promises to those who are faithful that He will make them a pillar in His sanctuary. A pillar is something that structurally holds a building together. It is sure and secure. And although a pillar is the very edifice that holds the whole building together, it can also stand alone when needed.

We see many pillars today that are still remaining from many structures that were built from the Bible over the last 3 to 4 thousand years. The roofs are gone, as well as the floors in many cases but almost everywhere you go in ancient sites in Israel you will find the pillars still standing strong. Sometimes they are broken in part from the wear and tear that they endured throughout time, but they are still very visible and they are still the very structure that can hold the building together when rebuilt.

Are you a pillar in Yahshua's Congregation? Do you hold the brethren together or do you tear them apart? Do you follow Yahweh's judicial order or do you only follow it when it suits your own personal agenda? A Pillar is one that will stay loyal to Yahweh and Yahshua, and never waver or fall. It is someone who will encourage, uplift and abide to the truth even in the most dire circumstances.

It is someone who will support Yahshua's elders when someone is attacking them, and always stay strong with the Body of Messiah.

It is someone who will put their own selfish, fleshly desires to the side not to cause another brother or sister to fall, and it is one who will follow judicial order, knowing it is the very foundation of the Kingdom of Yahweh.

The true Philadelphian has died to the flesh and any selfish ambition, and lives daily to the mind of Messiah. He/she may have daily trials and struggles as anyone would, but they never allow it to shake their faith, and they use each trial as a springboard for growing in more faith and being a better servant and bride to be of Yahshua Messiah. They are well tempered and have allowed the Holy Spirit to build patience in them for every part of the daily walk that Yahweh will give them.

And most of all they have a burning, heartfelt love for Yahweh and Yahshua that overflows to His people every day of their life. They have the Torah of Yahweh written on their hearts; and their character is so strong that they would never, ever think of compromising with it. The Torah has become to them their very character, and this is why Satan the adversary is limited as to where he can tempt them.

As already mentioned, the end time Philadelphian remnant is made up of those leaving the other congregations mentioned in Revelation 2 and 3, and is a spiritual mindset and mentality that one must surrender to daily in fighting their own human nature. It is Yahshua who will bless each one with the spirit of Philadelphia, but each Spirit led believer should be working to achieve, and striving to be part of the Philadelphia Congregation. It is not something that you would do once, but it is a lifelong commitment to being the bond slave of Yahshua and putting your calling as the highest priority in your life.

May we take the promises of Yahshua to the congregation of Philadelphia (brotherly love) most serious and may we daily be preparing for Yahshua's return.

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You May Not Escape The Tribulation!

Some who think they are going to a place of safety to avoid tribulation MAY NOT GET THERE AT ALL! Read WHY and whether this could include YOU!

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Those in Yahweh's Congregation have heard many times the blunt warning of Yahshua Messiah: *"Then be watchful at every time, begging that you be counted worthy to escape all these things, the things being about to happen, and to stand before the Son of Man"* (Luke 21:36).

We have been told many times to watch world conditions, to understand and know the prophecies of Yahweh, so that we will know when the time comes for Elohim's people to escape. We have also been taught many, many times in sermons, at Feasts, and in Congregation services that we are to pray consistently without intermission, not neglecting prayer for a single day so that we might be accounted worthy to escape. But some are neglecting their duty!

Amazing Prophecy for Today

The escape of Yahshua's Congregation to safety is mentioned in Revelation 12. In this chapter is an amazing prophecy concerning the Congregation of Yahweh from ancient times until the return of Yahshua Messiah.

During our time Satan will be very angry with Yahweh's people, since he knows that he has but a short time left to deceive the nations. He is going to increase the pressure against Yahweh's people, and is going to do all he can to increase the persecution of deceived men against us! This persecution will become so severe that Yahweh will find it necessary to supernaturally protect His people, and help them escape to a place of safety, before the full force of tribulation and world trouble comes on the earth.

Notice the symbolism of this supernatural protection:

"And two wings of a great eagle were given to the woman, that she might fly into the wilderness, to her place, where she is nourished there for a time, and times, and half a time, away from the serpent's face" (Rev.12:14).

Not all of the Congregation will be accounted worthy to go to safety. Verse 17 of this same chapter shows that after those in Yahshua's Congregation (who are doing their part in the Work of Yahweh) go to a place of safety there will be a "remnant" left. They keep Yahweh's Commandments and have the testimony of Yahshua Messiah, but are not accounted worthy to escape. This remnant will be subject to the full wrath of Satan the Devil. He makes war against them. Why?

This same remnant is implied in the prophecies of Revelation, chapter three. In the second and third chapters we have the various eras of Yahshua's Congregation mentioned in detail. At the present time we are in the Laodicean era of Yahweh's Congregation. One that is lukewarm and lacking zeal and one that compromises on the Word of Yahweh when it is not convenient to be obedient to it.

However, Yahweh warns the remnant in Revelation 2 and 3 to come out of the stagnant, spiritually defiled congregations and to become a Philadelphian believer in Spirit and truth, as this particular Congregation is promised that it will be kept from the hour of trial which is going to come upon all the world in order to try those dwelling on the earth (Rev 3:10).

But not all who are with us are spiritually of us—some are of the Laodicean spirit! The last Congregation, the Congregation of Laodicea, does not have this promise. They receive the fury of Satan. Very likely few of these people will survive the terrible times of trouble and torture that will follow.

We should all make our calling and election sure. We do not have time to wait for a year, five years or ten years to get ready to be "spiritual."

We cannot wait to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Master and Savior Yahshua Messiah. The time to be preparing is now! And every day that passes that you don't come out of the world and prepare is a day you will never get back again in your short life-span of a test to prove to Yahweh that you will be faithful to Him and His Torah for eternity.

Of those who are a part of a branch of Yahshua's true congregation many are weak and carnal minded. They have no zeal. They do not have their hearts completely and totally in Yahweh's work and are not doing with their might the great work that Yahweh has commissioned all of us to do in these last days.

Do You Have the Wrong Goal?

Many of you have the wrong goal—and don't know it! You are looking forward to escaping to safety as your goal in life. In effect, you have exactly the same belief and goal that many of the religious sects have today. In some Congregations it is called the rapture. In others it is escaping hell by "*going to heaven.*" The idea of going to a place of safety is exactly the same to some of you as it is to those who believe in the rapture theory.

The erroneous impression is that if you can be accounted worthy to escape to a place of safety, all of your troubles will be over. You have made the grade! Your entry into Yahweh's Kingdom is then completely assured. Your trials and troubles will be over. Don't be so sure!

You need to understand more about the circumstances that are prophesied concerning the time when Yahweh's Congregation does go to safety! This is a time of extreme trouble for the whole world. This is a time when every man's hand will be against his neighbor. It will be a time of crime, war, of pestilence, famine and of supernatural occurrences in the weather and in the sky. It is a time that will become so terrible that nothing like it has ever come on earth before. We find an account of it in Matthew 24. The Good-News of the Kingdom must first be preached to the world, and after that the climax of this age is going to come.

There will be the abomination of desolation that Daniel foretold. When this abomination is set up, those who may be in the land of Judea are commanded to flee to the mountains. It will be so pressing that Yahshua said they should not even go into the house to take out the clothes or other necessities.

It is a time so terrible and urgent that those women who are pregnant, or those who have suckling children will have great difficulty (verse 19). It is a time when those in Judea will take a "*flight*"—flee for their lives.

Yahweh's people will be as "*a brand plucked from the fire,*" or as an animal snatched away from a trap. A time of extreme distress and trouble, not only on the world but also on Yahweh's own people. John describes this time of trouble in the Book of Revelation as a time when Satan in his anger is going to "*And the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a river after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried off by the river*" (Rev. 12:15). Every kind of snare will be laid for Yahweh's people. But Yahweh intervenes supernaturally and helps the woman (verse 16).

Paradise or Wilderness?

It is not a time of ease, but a time of trouble. You should begin to see now that for some, this will be the beginning of their problems, not the end. Some will find they have not grown spiritually enough to overcome the trials and troubles of the real desert wilderness. Some will fall by the wayside. Some people will look at the paltry things they have accumulated in this life, property, bank accounts, and comfort. These must be left completely and totally. Others will see loved ones and relatives who are not in Yahweh's Congregation. Some of these people will find that when they count the cost, they will not "*leave all*" literally, and follow Yahshua Messiah. They will find that they cannot leave relatives, and friends. They simply never really prepared for that day and will allow Satan to hoodwink them and stay behind. Others will not leave houses, jobs, or money.

They will not be accounted worthy to escape. It will be a time of serious decision for Yahweh's people and many will not make the right decision, and some will even lose their salvation over these wrong decisions as they will see they never really had faith but simply were believing in certain rituals and never completely putting Yahweh first before everything, even family!

We know that the Faithful will escape to a place of safety, but where? Revelation 12:14 states that it will be in the "*wilderness*"—not a paradise! In the time of the end the ancient land of Edom, Moab and Ammon shall escape conquest by the End Time Beast Power (Daniel 11:41). Here is a small desert area, which will be protected from this Fascist-Global World Government. The place of escape in all likelihood will be within this desolate region.

What is Sela Like?

The land anciently occupied by these nations is to the southeast of the Dead Sea! In this region is a very famous natural stronghold called SELA. Certain scriptures seem to indicate that this place may be the place of protection. This word is often translated Rock in the Old Testament. Isaiah 42:11 states: *“Let the wilderness and its cities lift up, the villages where Kedar lives. Let those dwelling in the rock sing; let them shout from the top of the mountains.”*

There are few inhabitants of Sela today, only a few Bedouin Arabs live in the area. This text speaks of Yahweh’s people shouting from the top of the mountains, giving glory to Yahweh because of His might and strength. Certainly this must be referring to Yahweh’s people rejoicing over the greatness and power of Yahweh, Who protects them in safety.

Even the book of Psalms refers to this place. *“Who will lead me into the fortified city? Who will lead me over Edom?” (Psalm 108:10).* The fortified city referred to here may well be the naturally fortified city of Sela, which is located in the area of ancient Edom. There are other scriptures which also indicate that Sela may be the place of protection.

Isa 33:16 He shall live on high; strongholds of rocks will be his retreat; his bread shall be given; his waters are faithful. 17 Your eyes shall see the king in his beauty; they shall see a land that is very far off.

But Yahweh will make this evident and clear at the proper time and in the proper way. Sela is a very barren, deserted area and extremely difficult to get in and out of. There is no airport in Sela, nor any major roads even nearby. The only way to fly there would be by huge airplanes, which probably could not land any nearer than Amman, Jordan! It is still many difficult miles to Sela! Remember the trials of the Exodus under Moses?

Complainers will be Unworthy to Escape

If you went three days into a hot, dusty desert without water would you complain? What if you had to fast for several days? Would you complain and rebel against Yahshua Messiah?

Today we complain about trivialities. Most of us haven't had to go without food or water. We complain when the water doesn't taste right. We do not have a completely *“balanced diet.”* We complain if we don't have fresh vegetables or fruit. We complain when we are not able to keep up to the same financial status of others who may be more prosperous. We complain about those whom Yahweh has set over us in authority, just as the ancient Israelites did. We will never get to a place of safety with such wrong and rotten attitudes!

If Sela is to be the place of safety for those accounted worthy to escape, we ought to know a little bit about what it is like. *“In our own time, the remoteness of Sela and its intense summer heat and winter cold have limited exploration.”* Sela is no Garden of Eden. It is no *“cloud nine.”* If this is the place where Yahweh’s Congregation goes to safety, it will be one which will present many physical difficulties. If Yahweh’s people are permitted to go there they will be *“cave dwellers”* for three and one-half years!

We have become used to soft living. We have become used to warm, dry beds, hot and cold running water, central heating or even indoor toilets. There are no refrigerators, IPODS or Internet connections or the many other multitudes of gadgets and appliances that are found in the modern American household. Sela is not like this.

From a physical point of view this is not going to be the wonderful place that many people have erroneously pictured. If you are looking forward to this event as a goal INSTEAD OF LOOKING FOR THE RETURN OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH, you have the wrong goal!

But it is not all bad. There will be difficult problems, but by Yahweh’s Spirit they can be overcome. From a spiritual point of view this is going to be the climax and high point of the physical lives of those to whom Yahweh offers this divine protection. This is going to be almost a continuous *“Feast of Sukkot.”*

In addition to supernaturally protecting and guiding His people to the place of safety, Yahweh is going to *“nourish”* (Rev.12:14) His people. This nourishment certainly is both spiritual and physical. This will be a time when Yahweh’s people will have opportunity to be shut away from the world, to learn many new things about Yahweh’s ways and His commands. It will be a time to grow spiritually. It will be a time of wonderful fellowship with Yahweh’s own true remnant. And the best part is that Scripture says Yahshua Himself will be teaching the 144,000 of the first of the firstfruits at the wilderness place that Yahweh has chosen.

Eze 20:34 And I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you from the lands in which you are scattered among them with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out.

Eze 20:35 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and I will be judging with you there face to face.

Eze 20:36 *Just as I was judging your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will be judging you, declares Adonai YAHWEH.*

Eze 20:37 *And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant.*

Eze 20:38 *And I will purge from among you the rebels and the transgressors against Me. I will bring them out of the land where they reside, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am YAHWEH.*

Yes, Yahshua Yahweh Himself will be there in the place that Yahweh has selected just as He was with the Israelites when they left Egypt, but if we don't prepare for this time now we will not be one of those selected to be at this most special place of protection as we will have to go through tribulation and rid ourselves of the things that we have not rid ourselves of now.

The Lesson You Must Learn Now

But, there are important lessons that we must learn now. ***“But beware in yourselves that your hearts never become heavy by extravagance and by drunkenness and by distress of the world, and that day should come suddenly upon you”*** (Luke 21:34).

‘Many of you are over-concerned with the “convenient living” of our day. You have become overly concerned about the cares of this life, and have not put the Kingdom of Yahweh, and the work that Yahweh has given us to do, first in your life. For such people the following warning is sounded: *“as a snare, for it will come in on all those sitting on the face of all the earth”* (verse 35).

“Then be watchful at every time, begging that you be counted worthy to escape all these things, the things being about to happen, and to stand before the Son of Man” (Luke 21:36).

Notice these things. The command is to watch and pray always! Our prayers should be in accord with the instructions that Yahshua Messiah gave in Matt. 6:9-13. With these instructions Yahshua Messiah gives us many things to pray about, in addition to praying that we might be protected from the trials and temptations that are ahead. If we pray faithfully and with our whole heart in this manner, then we shall be accounted worthy to escape. Some have had the erroneous idea that they should be praying only to escape.

This scripture does not say to pray to escape only, but that because we pray daily for Yahweh's Kingdom and His people, that we can escape all of the things mentioned in this chapter and stand before the Son of Man.

That is the important point that many people have overlooked. Many are looking forward to escape. They are not looking forward to the return of Yahshua Messiah. For those who are not protected a remarkable and detailed prophecy is found in Deuteronomy 28, concerning the terrible siege and captivity that follows the escape of the Congregation.

“Because you did not serve Yahweh your Elohim with joyfulness and with gladness of heart for the abundance of all things, and you shall serve your enemies whom Yahweh shall send on you, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in lack of all things. And He shall put an iron yoke on your neck until He has destroyed you” (Deut.28:47-48).

Here is one reason why some of Yahweh's called and chosen people will not go to safety. They are not serving Yahweh with joyfulness and gladness of heart. Yahweh has given us abundance and blessing such as the rest of the world has not had. Do we appreciate these things? Some of us do not! Instead of being appreciative, instead of being thankful and giving praise to Yahweh for this great abundance, we gripe and complain because others have more, or because we do not have what we would like to have, or what we think we should have. This lack of appreciation for the wonderful spiritual and physical blessings of Yahweh will bar some from going to safety.

Our trials and temptations are small now. They are going to increase as Satan becomes more angry with Yahweh's Congregation. We must use the time well that Yahweh has given us to grow spiritually and to overcome the trials that lie ahead. The wonderful physical blessings that Yahweh has given us now are going to be taken away in a few years. Let's appreciate these blessings now, giving Yahweh thanks continually for supplying them for us. Yahweh wants us to enjoy these things to the full.

We must learn to pray daily, without intermission and with faith and fervency, believing Yahweh totally and completely. We must learn to overcome our own faults, to overcome Satan and the world about us. But one final warning.

In 1 Cor. 10:1-13 we are told by the apostle Paul that all the things that happened to the children of Israel in ancient times were written down for our instruction and learning today. Are we learning these lessons? Or, are we right now making the same mistakes that they made? We must learn these lessons or else we will never escape the things that are coming on this earth.

There are many messages online about the wilderness that we should be listening to many times and growing in the grace and knowledge of Yahshua Messiah to learn these lessons. Brethren, Yahweh is going to provide a way of escape for His people.

It is going to be a hard, ruddy and difficult way. But, it will be a way of joy. Will you be among those who will be protected and stand before Yahshua Messiah at His coming?

Or will you be among the large crowd that is left behind in whom many will not have the strength to make it through the coming tribulation and could lose their eternal life?

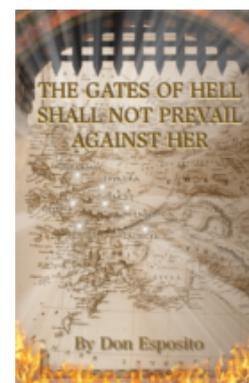
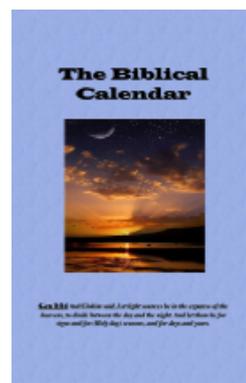
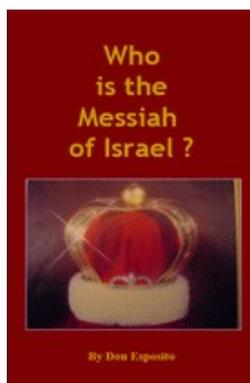
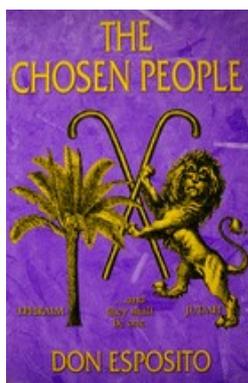
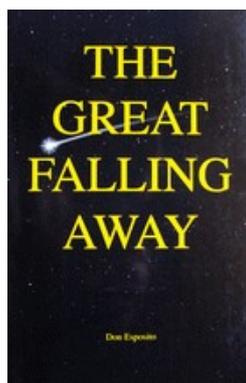
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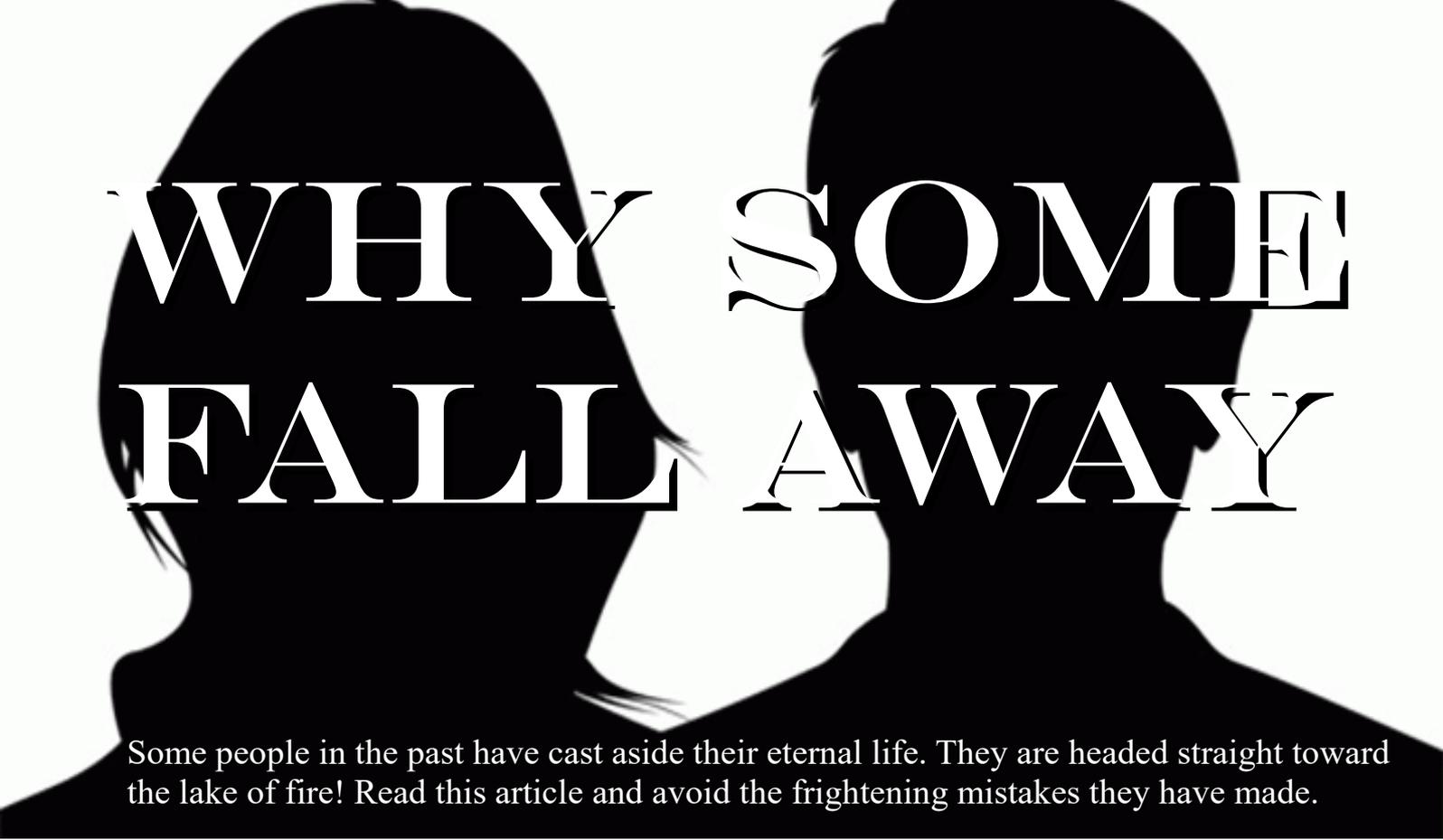
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WHY SOME FALL AWAY

Some people in the past have cast aside their eternal life. They are headed straight toward the lake of fire! Read this article and avoid the frightening mistakes they have made.

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Here is a stern warning for Yahweh's Congregation today. Throughout the ages—just as Yahshua prophesied—some in His called out congregation have fallen away. That ought to put fear and trembling in each one of us—lest we also let slip this one opportunity of eternal life. It is no strange thing when people who have been a part of Yahweh's Congregation for years fall away as it also happened in post-apostolic days (2 Thessalonians 2:3).

These individuals who departed would not have believed a year or two ago that they would make such a horrible mistake and cut themselves off from Yahweh and His people—but they did!

There were warning signs in their lives during the past months and years that they could have seen. They could have prevented this. But they purposely disregarded these signs until it may now be too late. Many are letting the cares of this world, the problems of physical life, and the lusts of the flesh separate them from the goal of eternal life.

What About You? Are you still striving with your whole might to enter that Kingdom?

Or have you, like some of these, grown “weary in well doing?” Some of you are disqualifying yourselves RIGHT NOW from ever receiving that wonderful reward! Some of you who have been attending services in Yahweh's Congregation are really not a part of the true “body of Messiah” any longer. You are not really a part of this Congregation, the Congregation of Yahweh. Others of you have never been made a real part of the true “body of Messiah”.

Just because you are with Yahweh's Congregation physically, does not mean you are a part of that spiritual organism, the True Congregation, which is carrying on the work of Yahweh.

Some—who have been a part of the Congregation in the past—already have put themselves out because of disobedience. Others of you are on very shaky ground and may be rejected by Yahshua even now! This does not apply only to those who have been attending our local services. Others of you have come to Yahweh's festivals, or you may never have come to Yahweh's festivals, and yet you believe you are a part of this Congregation, when you may not be!

You can't "Join" Yahweh's Congregation

We do not "join" the body of Messiah. Yahweh makes us a part of it through His Holy Spirit after complete repentance, baptism, and a total change of attitude. We remain in the congregation only by continuing in this right attitude and by overcoming through prayer and faith and obedience.

We don't become part of the body of Messiah by telling friends or neighbors that I "belong to the Congregation of Yahweh." We do not become a part of that true body by baptism alone. It requires complete repentance and submission to Yahweh and faith toward Yahshua Messiah before we are put into the true Congregation of Yahweh. Let us not deceive ourselves. We may fool some people, but we cannot fool Yahweh. He is our Judge.

Don't deceive yourself. It is time to examine yourself to determine whether or not you are in the faith. Whether or not you are truly a part of Yahweh's Congregation in this climactic end-time. The time is fast approaching when it will be too late for change and correction, there is a point that one can violate the Word of Yahweh to where they become numb to their sins and give themselves over to a reprobate mind. There is a point of no return. Some of you are sinning and know it. You have procrastinated and delayed obeying Yahweh. Yahweh is merciful, kind, loving, and patient. But there always comes a time when Yahweh's patience ends. Then will be the time of action. He may permit you to continue in sin for a season, but if you do not repent and change, He will soon cut you off in your sins.

Others of you are sinning and cannot see your sin. Why? Because pride has blinded some to stop searching their inner soul for the very sins they need to repent of. Some are not continually looking into Yahweh's Word for correction. Sin is the transgression of the law. It defines what sin is. The Word of Yahweh is a spiritual mirror. Look into that spiritual mirror to see your sin.

Are You Guilty of These Sins?

The Bible tells us that love is the fulfilling of the law. But some of you have hard feelings and bitterness against others in Yahweh's Congregation. You will never get into Yahweh's Kingdom with such animosity!

Now is the time to go to your brother, to ask his forgiveness, and settle the matter. Remember that Yahshua Messiah willingly and lovingly died for both of you. Remember that you both have sinned and come short of the glory of Yahweh, and it is only through the grace and mercy of Yahshua Messiah that either one of you have ever been forgiven of your past sins.

Others of you have been talebearers, telling falsehoods and untruths, or half-truths. Or you may have repeated gossip, which may be true, however, you should never have repeated to others. One of the six things that Yahweh hates is the spreading of discord among brethren (Pro. 6:19). Some claiming to be a part of the Congregation are actually HYPOCRITES. They come among us, and yet when they go home, or to their job, they do not live what they profess to live while among Yahweh's people. What a wretched state! Living a Lie. Yahweh is going to cast all such people into outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth, unless they repent and change in time. If you are one of those in this category, NOW is your time to change and to repent.

There have been many articles concerning Yahweh's tithe. But some are still refusing to obey Yahweh in this plain and clear command of Yahweh Almighty. Some day you must give account of your deeds—IN THE JUDGMENT. What excuse are you going to give then? Or you may have had many other kinds of excuses. If you are guilty of these sins—and many of you are, now is the time to repent, to change your ways and to prepare now for the taking of Yahshua's Passover this Spring.

There have been articles, broadcasts, and sermons on the subject of SMOKING. And yet some of you still persist in continuing in this filthy, rotten and enslaving habit. We know that it is not easy to quit this habit, once a person has become enslaved to it, but it can be done. With Yahweh's help, many have conquered the desire to smoke. If you are still enslaved by this habit, you are not serving the true Elohim in spirit and in truth. You are serving and idolizing tobacco instead. This also goes for any addiction including alcohol and drugs, and even white sugar is an addiction and idol to many in Yahshua's called out congregation. Remember, any substance that alters your actions and character and is addictive, such as white sugar, is an idol before Yahweh.

Others of you are married and now are living apart from your true mate. You may have had to separate because of Yahweh's commands concerning adultery, or you may have already been separated before you learned of Yahweh's laws. If so, are you, as some, sometimes letting your lusts of the flesh come before your overall spiritual goal of the Kingdom of Yahweh? Some have permitted themselves to break the spirit and intent of this law by spiritually committing fornication or adultery (Matt. 5:28). If you have "hidden sins" that no one else knows about, remember this—all sins are open to Yahweh. He sees all. It is He who will judge you. You cannot fool Yahweh.

Now is the time to put such sins out. If we are not overcoming these things now, how can we ever expect to overcome them in the future?

Some of you married couples who have been having marital problems have not been overcoming them. If both parties show the real, true disciple love of Yahshua Messiah, and the kindness that He has, you would not have these problems. Is Yahshua Messiah living within you? If so, then that love and kindness would be growing and increasing in your life. You would be having more patience, kindness and consideration for others.

You may have continued in your sin and Elohim has not finally cut you off. Such a situation is described by Yahshua in Luke 13:6-9 *"And He spoke this parable; A man had planted a fig tree in his vineyard; And he came looking for fruit on it and did not find any."*

Yahweh has been coming to some of you for a long time seeking fruit. He has looked for the fruits of the Spirit, given in Galatians 5. He has come to see whether or not you are growing in the grace and knowledge of our Master and Savior Yahshua Messiah. He has come to see whether or not your real goal is still the Kingdom of Yahweh. He has come to see if you are really doing your part in getting this Good-News of the Kingdom to the world. He has been patient and merciful. But Yahweh has found no fruit for many of you!

Notice Messiah's further words. *"And he said to the workers, Behold, three years I come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and found none. Cut it down, and why should the ground be wasted?"* That may be what Yahweh the Father is about to say of you right now. Maybe He has already said this at some time in the past.

But Yahshua Messiah has intervened. *"And a worker said to him, master, leave it also this year until I shall dig around it and throw manure"*.

Yahweh has sent His ministers and His servants to work with you. They have worked with you in articles, in the Correspondence Course, the booklets and other literature. He has also sent His servants to work with you through The Website and through our local ministers so that fruit might be produced in you. Some of you have produced fruit and some have not.

"Maybe it will produce fruit, and if not, next year you may cut it down."

Some have already been "cut down." There comes a time when Yahweh ceases to have patience or leniency. Others of you are just about ready to be "cut down."

What about you? If you have not had fruit, it is because you are not applying yourself. It is because some are not really putting the Kingdom of Yahweh FIRST in their lives (Matt. 6:33).

You have lost sight of that overall goal, the Kingdom of Yahweh. Now is the time to once again put your eye singly toward that goal, not on your physical surroundings.

First Love Lost

Some of you have gone backward and not forward since Yahweh first called you. You have lost that “*first love*.” You need that “*first love*” to enter into Yahweh’s Kingdom.

To you it might personally be said: “Nevertheless, I have something against you, because you left your first love” (Rev. 2:4).

Do you have the same zeal and love for the work and truth of Yahweh now that you had when you were first converted? Are you excited and thank Yahweh each and every morning you wake up for the life and grace He has given you through the shed blood of Yahshua? Are you full of zeal each day to study your Bible and pray for Yahweh's Kingdom to come? Are you actively involved in the Matthew 24 project and the end time restoration work of Yahweh from Jerusalem? As how involved and zealous you are for Yahweh's end time restoration work is directly related to how converted you truly are.

If not, you had better change now. Here is Messiah’s instruction for you: “Then remember from where you have fallen, and repent, and do the first works. And if not, I am coming to you quickly, and will remove your menorah from its place, unless you repent (Rev. 2:5).

Another reason why some of you are having these problems is that you are neglecting the belief in necessity of prayer and Bible study. How can you grow spiritually except you pray “without ceasing” (with regularity)?

We must devote a regular period each day to prayer and Bible study. How can we know what our sins are unless we look into Yahweh’s Word regularly to see those sins?

Some of you are neglecting the spiritual tools that Yahweh is giving you through the sermons on-line, and the Remnant's Walk, and 23 on-line study lessons in the Correspondence Course, as well as the various booklets and articles. Unless you have Yahweh’s ministers explain necessary things to you by these publications, you will not be able to grow spiritually as you ought.

Don’t become Neglectful

If you believe that it is not necessary for you to do these things, then you have become “spiritually rich,” just as the Laodicean Congregation (Rev. 3). That Congregation is not going to a place of safety.

Yahweh says to some of you: “*My people perish for lack of knowledge. Because you rejected the knowledge, I also rejected you from being priest to Me. Since you have forgotten the Torah of your Elohim, I will forget your sons, even I!*” (Hosea 4:6).

That is why some of you are disqualifying yourself to enter Yahweh’s Kingdom! You are rejecting the knowledge that Yahweh has given you, and not acting on that knowledge. You have forgotten the Torah of Yahweh, and in place of it you are seeking worldly and temporal pursuits. Now is the time to act on the knowledge Yahweh has given.

Who Will Be Saved?

Since there is such a lack in even some who assemble with Yahweh’s Congregation, it can sometimes be discouraging. Sometimes one almost wonders, “Will anyone attain to the Kingdom of Yahweh?”

There were people in Yahshua’s time who also had such questions. “And a man asked Him, Master, are the ones being saved few?” (Luke 13:23).

This is a natural question to ask. Notice the very next words of Yahshua. *“Labor to enter in through the narrow gate, for I say to you that many will seek to enter in and will not have strength” (Luke 13:24).*

That is the answer from Yahshua. Are you striving to enter into the Kingdom of Yahweh? Or, have you let the cares of this life turn you away from that goal? Some of you who think you are in Yahweh’s Congregation now will try to enter into Yahweh’s Kingdom, and will not be able! You will not have time to prepare for Yahweh’s Kingdom next year or the following year, or ten years from now. The time to prepare is NOW!

If you put off until tomorrow what you should do today, you may find that you are too late. Yahweh’s ministers diligently show the people of Yahweh their sins. Yahweh’s people are told through His Word, and through the sermons on the website, and at feast time during Congregational services at Jerusalem. But the ministry can only sow the seed, cultivate, water or fertilize. The ministry by itself cannot bring the increase.

The ministry cannot act for the people. The people must act. We can only “blow the trumpet” (Ezekiel 33). It is up to the people to heed the warning. Some of you have heard these warnings and have not acted. Have you looked to the ministers as those who are doing a good job, and yet you have not applied it to yourself? It is the responsibility of the ministry to warn the people, but it is the responsibility of the people to act on that warning. It’s just like Yahweh told Ezekiel,

“And they come to you as people come, and they sit before you as My people. And they hear your words, but they do not do them. For they produce much love with their mouth, but their heart goes after their unjust gain. And, behold, you are to them as a singer of love songs with a beautiful voice, and playing well on an instrument. For they hear your words, but they are not doing them” (Ezekiel 33:31-32).

If you are one who has this attitude, now is the time to repent.

Yahweh is Calling You

If you are guilty of any of these sins, what should you do about it? ***“Today, if you hear even the echoes of His voice, do not harden your hearts to anger Him” (Heb. 3:15).***

Now is the time for action! Now is your day of salvation. Judgment is now upon the Congregation of Yahweh (1 Pet. 4:17-19). Don’t become weary of well doing, but press forward to the mark of the high calling in Yahshua Messiah. Repent of your sins. Turn from them. OVERCOME. If you do this, you will be among those of the faithful who will hear the voice of Yahshua saying: *“Well done, thou good and faithful servant... enter thou into the joy of thy Master.”*

Fight the good fight of faith now. As we are entering into a brand new 7 year cycle and we have released our old baggage during the Shemita, now is the time before this coming Passover to truly search our hearts and minds fully and see what is still left in our life that is not pleasing to Yahweh and repent of it, and get rid of it before we take the next Passover symbols and rededicate ourselves to Yahshua for another year. ■

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How To Overcome The Laodicean Attitude

Are you going to drift into the Laodicean Congregation? Will you be among those spewed from Yahshua's mouth? Here's what you can do about it **NOW**—to be sure you do not meet this tragic end!

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One of Yahweh's names would shock you! That name has an important connection with the Laodicean Congregation era and YOUR LIFE! That name, which is a part of Yahweh's character, should also be a part of your character. This character trait has great influence on your life. It affects your prayer, Bible study, work at your job, housecleaning, sewing—in short, your whole life. It makes the difference between real spiritual growth in Yahweh's Congregation and slipping back from love, true spirituality, and interest in Yahweh's work.

Strange Name

Many have been perplexed by this name of Yahweh. To them it seemed strange indeed. Read it in Exodus 34:14. "*For you shall not bow to another Elohim, for Yahweh whose name is Jealous, He is a jealous Elohim.*"

Why "Jealous"? Why should this be one of Yahweh's traits? Isn't Jealously a sin?

We need to understand the full meaning of this Hebrew word translated "*Jealous*" in order to understand why it is Elohim's title. This word is "*qana*." It means "to be or make jealous or **ZEALOUS**" (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance). This same word in the Old Testament can be translated either way—jealous or zealous. And everywhere in the Old Testament that you see the words "zealous" or "jealous," they are translated from this same Hebrew word.

Actually, then, Yahweh is an Elohim filled with ZEAL. He is a Zealous Elohim for His people, His relationship with the Israelites and their obedience to Him. Notice Isaiah 59:17, "*For He put on righteousness like armor, and a helmet of Y'shua He put on His head. And He put on robes of vengeance as clothing; and He put on zeal like a mantle.*" This is speaking figuratively of Yahweh's character and the ZEAL which is a part of it. But here again the Hebrew word is "*qana*"—which can be translated "jealousy" or "zeal."

Yahshua's Character

What was Yahshua like? Did He have this character trait? Notice: "*And the Passover of the Jews was near. And Yahshua went up to Jerusalem. And He found those selling oxen and sheep and doves in the sanctuary, and the money changers sitting. And making a whip out of ropes, He threw all out of the sanctuary, both the sheep, and the oxen, and the money changers, pouring out the money and overturning the tables. And to the ones selling the doves, He said, Take these things from here! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise*" (John 2:13-16).

But now notice the next verse which explains why Yahshua acted in this heated manner of zeal and "jealously." "*And His disciples remembered that it was written, "The zeal of Your house has consumed Me."* Here is how the Amplified New Testament renders Verse 17: "*And His disciples remembered that it was written, [in the Holy Scriptures], The Zeal—the fervor of love—for your house will eat me up. I will be consumed with jealousy for the honor of Your house.*" Today we say, "*It burned me up.*"

Now notice the connection! The Greek word for "zeal" is "zelos." It means literally: "hot, heat, zeal, jealousy, envy, and fervent." This also bears out and connects with the statement made in Deuteronomy 4:24, "*For Yahweh your Elohim is a consuming fire; He is a jealous [zealous] El.*" So we see that the words "zealous" and "jealous" are alternate translations of both their Greek and Hebrew root words.

Notice how this word is used in the New Testament. *“For I am zealous over you with the zealousness of Elohim. For I have promised you to one husband, to present you a pure virgin to Messiah”* (2 Cor 11:2).

In Acts 18:25 we read of a very zealous individual named Apollos. *“He had been instructed in the way of Yahweh, and burning with spiritual zeal, he spoke and taught diligently and accurately the things concerning Yahshua, though he was acquainted only with the baptism of John”* (Amplified New Testament). The Hebraic Roots version says, “Fervent in Spirit.” Again, the word “fervent” means zealous, jealous or burning. It is that same Greek word—“zelos.”

Jealous or Zealous?

If the Greek word “zelos” can be translated either jealous or zealous, what is the difference? Doesn’t the Bible say that envy and jealousy are sin? Yes there is a difference. That difference depends on the attitude—the motivation behind this fervent, heated way of doing things. In today’s world Elohim does not want believers to fall into this tranquilized state of existence. He says, *“Never lag in zeal and in earnest endeavor; be aglow and burning with the Spirit, serving Yahweh”* (Rom. 12:11, Amplified New Testament). The Hebraic Roots says, “...fervent in spirit.” It means zealous, burning, hot with energy and zeal for Yahweh’s service.

Do you remember what David said when it was time to attend Yahweh’s Congregation? *“I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of Yahweh”* (Ps. 122:1). He had a zealous attitude toward Yahweh. He loved to serve Yahweh and do His will. He was so filled with zeal and service and gratitude toward Yahweh that he would dance before Yahweh even in the sight of other people. He was not ashamed of his ZEAL for Yahweh Almighty!

Laodicean Attitude

What does Yahweh’s name have to do with the Laodicean attitude? How can you tell if you are a Laodicean or close to that attitude? What characterizes the Laodicean Congregation’s attitude?

Yahshua pleads with us to hear His Word to all the Congregations (Rev. 3:16). So notice what He says to the Congregation of the Laodiceans. *“And to the messenger of the congregation of Laodicea, write: These things says the Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Head of the creation of Yahweh: I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I would that you were cold, or hot. So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to vomit you out of My mouth”* (Rev. 3:14-16).

The “cold” refers to unconverted, but the Laodiceans are not unconverted. They are members of Yahweh’s Congregation. They keep Yahweh’s commandments (Rev.12:17). But they are not “hot.” But just what does it mean by “hot”? Actually, the root word for “hot” comes from the Greek word “zeo.” It means “to be hot, be fervid, earnest.” This word is a verb. Its noun is “zelos” which means “zealous, fervent, HOT!

In plain language then, the trouble with the Laodiceans is that they are not zealous! They are lukewarm! *“Because you say, I am rich, and I am made rich, and I have need of nothing, and do not know that you are miserable and a wanderer and poor and blind and naked”* (Rev. 3:17). These people think they are doing enough. They are complacent. They feel they have studied the Bible enough. They think that if they spend a half hour on their knees that they have really done a service to Yahweh. But even worse, they say they **“have need of nothing.”**

Have you ever heard people criticize Yahweh’s work today? Many will put it this way: “Why do we need more pages in magazines? I think we have enough. And why do we want to build more buildings for the International congregations? Don’t we have enough? “WE HAVE NEED OF NOTHING.”—Brethren, this type of attitude is a typical LAODICEAN attitude!!

A Laodicean THINKS he needs nothing else. He THINKS he is rich (spiritually as well as physically). He doesn’t realize that he has lost his spiritual zeal—that he is not HOT and burning with zeal to accomplish Yahweh’s Work in this end time. Also, that he is not hot or zealous to overcome his own carnal nature and to serve his brethren. This is what Yahshua Messiah says to Laodiceans: *“As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: BE ZEALOUS [be enthusiastic and in earnest and burning with zeal (Amplified New Testament) THEREFORE, AND REPENT!”* (Verse 19).

Yahweh wants the Laodiceans to recapture that spark of fire and to let it BURN in service to Him. He wants them to have the attitude of Yahshua Messiah when He saw the money changers in the temple. He wants them to have the attitude of Phinehas when he saw the Israelite defiantly bring the Moabitess into the tabernacle. He wants them to have the attitude of David who was glad when it was time to go to Yahweh's house for worship. Yahweh wants Laodiceans to have the attitude of Apollos who was FERVENT in carrying out Yahweh's work. He wants them to have the attitude of Paul who was willing to go through all kinds of hardships because of his "*Elohim guided jealously*" or **INSPIRED ZEAL** for Yahweh's Congregations (2 Cor. 11). Do you have it?!

How Not to Know

There is a way to keep yourself from knowing that you are actually falling into the Laodicean attitude. Actually, the Laodiceans don't really know that they are Laodiceans—that is, that they are lukewarm and have lost their zeal for Yahweh. But why don't they know? This involves a fundamental principle of Yahweh's Word which is violated.

Let's suppose you have three basins in front of you. The one on the extreme right is filled with almost scalding hot water. The one in the middle has lukewarm water. And the one on the left contains ice-cold water. If you were to dip your left hand first into the ice-cold water, and then, back into the lukewarm water—the lukewarm water would feel hot. Now, if at the same time, you dip your right hand into the scalding hot water for just a second, and then, dip it also into the lukewarm water, the lukewarm water would feel cool or cold.

Actually, if you were to depend upon a comparison between the lukewarm and the cold water for the needed knowledge as to how hot the lukewarm water was, you would be completely deceived. For in comparison with the ice cold water the lukewarm would feel hot. You would not know that it was actually lukewarm. It would indeed seem to be hot.

How hot are you? If you violate this important principle of the Bible, you won't be able to tell. Yahweh warns us not to open ourselves up for this deception when He gives this principle: "*For we dare not rank or compare ourselves with some of those who are proud of themselves; for it is because they MEASURE THEMSELVES BY THEMSELVES, that they do not understand.*" (2 Cor. 10:12).

I should say not! For the violation of this principle enables Satan the Devil to get the upper hand. It leaves you wide open for the Laodicean attitude. For instance: If you, as a truly converted believer were to compare yourself to the worldly people around you in prayer, you would seem to be on fire for Yahweh. Most people don't pray at all. And most so-called "religious" people pray five minutes a week. Well, look how much more zealous you appear if you pray fifteen or twenty minutes some days.

Average congregational goers give less than \$1.00 per week. You certainly would look zealous, hot and fervent if you paid a straight ten percent of your income. Yes, and many brethren compare themselves with one another. "Well," they say, "old Joe Smith doesn't know any more about the Bible than I do." To them this statement means that they are all right—they are zealous. They don't know that they are "*miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked!*"

If you begin to compare yourself with others, you are taking the first and biggest step toward the Laodicean attitude. You will DECEIVE YOURSELF into thinking that you are all right, in need of nothing, that you are doing as much as "anyone else." And it will surely follow that those who lose their zeal will become jealous. Instead of serving zealously in the Congregation, they will begin to slander, impute motives and envy those who are really zealous. How about you? Does someone else's zeal make you jealous?

The True Standard

There is a true standard by which you can actually measure and which will tell you just where you stand. Yahshua Messiah is that Standard! WE must measure ourselves with Him to see how much we are growing. We must compare ourselves with Him in order to know our spiritual temperature.

Messiah is the Standard of measurement! It is by Him that we must test our zeal. It is next to Him—His perfect life that we must judge whether or not "we are in need of nothing." Indeed, we are foolish to compare ourselves with ourselves and measure ourselves by ourselves. Let's measure ourselves with Yahshua Messiah! And then, "BE ZEALOUS THEREFORE, AND REPENT!" ■

PROVE ALL THINGS!

Who is an Elder of YHWH

In this world today there are many misguided people calling themselves elders who do not fit the biblical criteria set out in Scripture. So let's see what the biblical mandate is to being recognized as fulfilling the job of an elder in the body of Messiah.

One thing we must always remember is that we do not choose Yahweh, but He has chosen us.

***Joh 15:16** You have not chosen Me, but I chose you out and planted you, that you should go and should bear fruit, and your fruit remain, that whatever you should ask the Father in My name, He may give you.*

In order to be a leader in Yahweh's congregation this is a scripture we must have ingrained in our mind. So many charlatans and false teachers today have not been commissioned by Yahweh but have merely set themselves up as a leader by selling books or CD's. If we look at the biblical example of leaders in the Bible we will see that most of these men that were chosen by Yahweh, not only did not set up themselves with the job, but many times they ran away from it. Also, clearly, to be recognized as an elder one must be bearing the fruit of an elder. What exactly does Scripture say that an elder of Yahweh actually is? First, let's take a look at the strict biblical requirements of an elder of Yahweh.

***1 Tim 3:1-7** Faithful is the Word: If anyone desires **the office** of an Elder, he desires a good work. **2** He who becomes an Elder **must be blameless, the husband of one wife, alert mentally, sensible, of good behavior, hospitable, and able to teach;** **3** not a drunkard, or one whose hand is quick to strike, but humble, not contentious, not loving money; **4** ruling his own house well, having children in subjection with all purity. **5** But if anyone does not know how to rule his own house, how will he care for a Congregation of YAHWEH? **6** He **should not be a new disciple**, lest being puffed up he may fall into the condemnation of the devil. **7** But he must also have a good witness from those outside, that he not fall into reproach and into a snare of the devil.*

First, we see that in order to even be considered an elder in the eyes of Yahweh that one must first be a faithful servant in the body of Messiah. What does this entail? In the day and age we are living in the Bible also tells us in 2 Tim 3:1-4 that people will be truce breakers, selfish, not true to their word, so being faithful is the exact opposite.

Since we are in the Laodicean era of Yahweh's congregation people are more selfish and self-centered than ever before. People boldly proclaim that elders and ministers are no longer needed and that all we need is the Holy Spirit to lead us and not men. This is why it is extremely important, that men must show their faithfulness to Yahweh, His leadership and His congregation over a good period of time before they could ever be considered for ordination.

Also, it is very clear from Timothy that an elder must be blameless and not of shoddy reputation. He also clearly must be the husband of only one living wife, which would disqualify any person who has been divorced and has 2 living covenant wives. His wife likewise must have only one living husband.

He also must be alert and sensible, not making radical, unsound decisions and be hospitable and not with a sharp tongue, and also able to teach. This would disqualify anyone in the congregation who is either not grounded in sound doctrine, or even if they have been ordained, has left sound doctrine and is now preaching unscriptural doctrines, or even worse, heresy.

He must also not be a drunkard, or have a spirit of anger, being quick to raise his voice and argue with others. He must not be contentious, but must be humble. This also is not an act that someone puts on until hands are laid on him. Even if someone had hands laid on him for elderhood and later it was determined that the person deceived the elderhood and indeed was contentious, or did not fit any of the above criteria, then it stands to reason that the person would have lost his position and would not be recognized as an elder in the body of Messiah.

I believe the biggest thing that we should be getting out of the above criteria is that the above scriptures stating the position of an elder are relating to a "**job description**" and NOT a title. 1 Tim 3:1 clearly states it's an "**office**" of an elder.

When someone within the congregation is performing the task of an elder, then there is the laying on of hands by the other elders to recognize that performance within the congregation. It also stands to reason that if someone either was no longer fulfilling the scriptural requirements of an elder within the congregation or if someone removes themselves from the position of serving in the congregation, then they would not be fulfilling that position scripturally any longer, nor be recognized in that capacity any longer in the congregation.

Whether someone was still within the congregation and disqualified themselves from the job of an elder, or left the congregation due to some sin, such as divorcing their spouse and remarrying, or having a spirit of anger be shown, or maybe they simply left to be in private ministry on their own with no checks or balances because they could not be under any judicial order, then this would clearly disqualify them from the position of an elder.

In turn, if someone who was fulfilling the job of an elder within the congregation left the congregation and went out on their own and was not fulfilling the job of an elder within the congregation any longer, then as mentioned, they would not be recognized as an elder since they would not be performing that role in the congregation any longer. In order to be recognized as an elder in the Congregation of Yahweh you must be serving the people in the congregation and be performing the job description of an elder within the congregation.

Clearly, becoming an elder is not the same as acquiring a college degree that you would bring with you as a title in any other job you are trying to be recruited for. Yahweh's congregation is not like the world but someone recognized for a certain job in the congregation is only recognized as long as he is performing that particular job assignment.

They must continue in the criteria which inspired hands to be laid on them, which is maintaining and being under judicial order, which they agreed to when they were ordained. However, if they change to their own private interpretation and leave and have removed themselves from the ordained body of elders that Yahweh has recognized and ordained, then they have disqualified themselves from the job they are no longer qualified to perform.

Ordination cannot be performed without the elderhood to lay hands on the individual, so it stands to reason that if an individual would reject the elderhood that gave him the ordination, then he would not be recognized by the congregation in that capacity any longer. If someone in the congregation was a good person or even a friend of an elder, he would not ordain them simply because they wanted to, but only if they were fulfilling the Elohim required mandate. (1Tim 5:21-22)

Last, but not least, it must be mentioned that the most important characteristic of a true elder and servant of Yahweh is humility. There can never be envy and jockeying for position in Yahweh's true elderhood, but our service toward Yahweh and His children should be based on love, and a true humble desire to serve our Creator to the best of our ability.

We should never be serving to be recognized by man, or simply to get a pat on the back and constantly be recognized by people within the congregation; although, we should always be grateful to those who are serving us and try to give recognition where due, as servants of the Most High Elohim that should never be the motive in our service to Him. If we are looking for human recognition, then we will ultimately burn out in our service to Yahweh and usually this will happen sooner than later, and some will leave the most special job of an elder.

Conclusion: There is a very strict requirement to being recognized as an elder in Yahshua's set apart congregation. Only those who are fulfilling the Biblical role of the job of an elder while being part of the congregation should be recognized as an elder in the congregation. A person can only be set apart for elderhood by the laying on of hands of other properly ordained elders. ■

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A photograph of a polluted beach. In the foreground, there is a large amount of trash and debris scattered across the sand. In the background, a child is playing in the shallow water of the ocean. The sky is blue, and there are some buildings visible in the distance.

Have you been affected by The Throw-Away Society?

Yahweh is a redeemer and a restorer; He recycles His Creation and He is not a throw-away Elohim. He is an Elohim that will keep His Word no matter what, and as a matter of fact, that is the only reason we are here today, because Yahweh made a promise to Abraham more than 3800 years ago and He will keep that promise to Abraham exactly as He stated. by Don Esposito

Gen 17:1 *And when Abram was ninety nine years old, YAHWEH appeared to Abram and said to him, I am El Shaddai! Walk before me and be perfect;*

Gen 17:2 *and I will make My covenant between Me and you, and will increase you very greatly.*

Gen 17:3 *And Abram fell on his face. And Elohim spoke with him, saying,*

Gen 17:4 *As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations.*

Gen 17:5 *And your name no longer shall be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham. For I have made you a father of many nations.*

Gen 17:6 *And I will make you very fruitful, exceedingly. And I will give you for nations. And kings shall come out of you.*

Gen 17:7 *And I will establish My covenant between Me and you, and your seed after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be a Elohim to you and to your seed after you.*

Gen 17:8 *And I will give to you and to your seed after you the land of your sojourning, all the land of Canaan, for an ever-lasting possession and I will be their Elohim.*

Gen 17:9 *And Elohim said to Abraham, You shall keep My covenant, you and your seed after you in their generations.*

As we see Abraham was not promised heaven, but was promised by Yahweh that he and his offspring would eternally possess the Promised Land of Israel. That is why it is called the Promised Land.

Heb 11:8 *Having been called out by faith, Abraham obeyed to go forth to a place which he*

was going to receive for an inheritance; and he went out not understanding where he went.

Did Abraham receive that promise yet? No, he has not received an inch of dirt of the land of Israel yet, but he will receive his promise at the first resurrection of the just when we also will receive our reward.

Heb 11:39 *And having obtained witness through the faith, these all did not obtain the promise, **40** YAHWEH having foreseen something better concerning us, that they should not be perfected without us.*

Actually, no one has received the promise of eternal life, with Yahshua, in the Promised Land of Israel yet, as we all have to show the same faith of Abraham and the prophets and the apostles to receive our reward. Nevertheless, we know that Yahweh does not forget His promise He made in Genesis to the very seed and offspring of Abraham, and that is why He has allowed the Israelites to continue to exist, even in their rebellion against Him.

Mal 3:6 *For I am YAHWEH, I do not change. Because of this, you sons of Jacob are not destroyed.*

No, Yahweh has not forgotten the promise He made to the seed of Abraham more than 3800 years ago. He is not a throw away Elohim that, simply because the seed of Abraham would rebel against Him, that He would forget His Word.

Rom 11:1 *I say then, Did not YAHWEH thrust away His people? Let it not be! For I also am an Israelite, out of Abraham's seed, of the tribe of Benjamin.*

Rom 11:2 *"YAHWEH did not thrust away His people" whom He foreknew. (Psa 94:14) Or do you not know what the Scripture said in Elijah, how He pleaded with YAHWEH against Israel, saying,*

Rom 11:3 *YAHWEH, "they killed Your prophets, and they dug down Your altars, and only I am left, and they seek my life." (1 Kg. 19:10)*

Rom 11:4 *But what does the Divine answer say to him, "I reserved to Myself seven thousand men who did not bow a knee to Baal." (1 Kg. 19:18)*

Rom 11:5 *Even so, in this present time a remnant is preserved, elected by grace and has come into being.*

Yahweh has not castaway and forsaken His people Israel because He is not a throwaway Elohim, but He is a redeemer and a restorer. He has however, through the sins of Israel and their casting away into the nations, used this situation not only for the calling back of the 12 tribes of Israel, but also to bring salvation to the nations, so that anyone in any nation of any ethnic background that loves Yahweh and repents and humbles themselves before Him can be grafted into the tree of Israel and join the Promised seed of Abraham.

Rom 11:11 *I say, then, Did not they stumble that they should fall? Let it not be! But by their slipping away came salvation to the nations, to provoke them to jealousy.*

Gal 3:27 *For as many as were baptized into Messiah, you put on Messiah.*

Gal 3:28 *There cannot be Jew nor Aramean, there is no slave nor freeman, there is no male and female; for you are all one (echad), united in Messiah Yahshua.*

Gal 3:29 *And if you are of Messiah, then you are seeds of Abraham, even heirs according to the promise.*

Yahweh used the falling away of Israel to share His great salvation with all mankind, and when a Gentile joins the New Covenant by the blood of Yahshua, who was an Israelite from the House of Judah, then he would also be grafted into the one family of Israel and be an heir and family member of Abraham.

Yahweh did not have to continue His covenant with Israel, as Israel broke His covenant at Mount Sinai and Yahweh had every reason to reject Israel at that point and start fresh with a new family to make covenant with. But, He didn't do that because of His promise to Abraham and his seed/offspring; and Yahweh is not a throwaway Elohim.

How about you? Are you a throwaway person?

We live in the worst, evil, wicked generation that the world has ever known (2 Tim 3:1-5). Luke 17:26-29 goes on further to say this last generation that we live in will be as evil as it was in the days of Noah and Sodom and Gomorrah combined!

And let me tell you something, your environment does affect your thinking. And if you don't believe that, then you are already infected with the Laodicean attitude of thinking that everything is normal and OK.

We live in the worst, nonchalant, throwaway society the world has ever known. In western society people will buy new clothing sometimes every week, and simply discard the last one to keep up with fashion and not wear the same outfit twice. They will use plastic throwaway utensils for convenience, yet plastic is not biodegradable and will last in the garbage dumps for possibly hundreds of years.

And never mind the plastic utensils, recently a new statistic was released from the United States that on average every single person living there throws away about 750 pounds of food a year. And remember this is on average, there are Americans who don't waste any food, or very little food, so in reality the number of those in the majority that are wasting is probably about 1,000 pounds a year, per person.

But let's just take the average right now. Can you imagine?! 750 pounds of food per person every year! And if you times that by the roughly 320 million people living in the United States you come up with 240 billion pounds of food discarded and wasted every single year. And remember this is with more than 50% of the people in this world going to bed hungry and many of them actually even starving and will die every year, including many children.

At buffets in the United States you will daily see people over filling their plates only to throw half of it in the garbage. Many will take extra butter and jelly and other condiments only to open and leave it behind for the wastebasket. Sadly at times, we have even seen this with brethren.

As a matter of fact, almost everything you can imagine, even houses, are made out of plastic today. They used to use the term of a plastic society as one that is fake and shallow, but today in Babylon, truly it is a plastic society.

Everything in Babylon is expendable as the average person moves from his home on average every 2 to 4 years and also the average worker leaves his job every 2 to 5 years. And, as we also sadly know, marriages are also disposable, and the divorce rate is close to 60%. This rate is quite shocking considering that more than 50% of couples in the USA today are cohabiting and not getting married at all, so the even more frequent break-ups are not even in the divorce statistics; and there is even real talk today to make marriage a limited contract instead of a life-long commitment.

If you really deeply think about society in Babylon today almost everything is expendable and disposable. When someone's watch will break or their shoe on the bottom comes apart, or their pants or dress will get a slight hole or simply a small stain, the first thing most people think about is to simply throw it away and get a new one. Commercials are filled with throw away items from baby diapers, to cameras, to electronics. Even human life is expendable in the world we live in today.

Isa 49:15 *Can a woman forget her suckling child, from pitying the son of her womb? Yes, these may forget, yet I will surely not forget you.*

Yahweh asks the rhetorical question if a woman can forget her suckling child, something that would be unheard of in the ancient world, and yet today, not only do mothers forget their suckling children as they put them in day care as young as one to three months old, some will even discard their new born babies in trash bins when they are born.

And many women actually kill the fruit of their womb as more than 2 million abortions a year are committed in the United States alone, and around 30 to 40 million worldwide.

There is infanticide happening as a result of the throw-away society that Babylon has created, barely spoken about today, because in this throw-away world, it is considered normal.

In ancient days people would use everything that was put before them and did not squander or waste absolutely anything. When they were picking dates off the date palm tree they would cut the dates off the long stem, and use the dates for fruit, for making jelly and cakes, and even making date wine.

The stem was not thrown into the trash but they would use the stem to make rope, to weave baskets, and every piece was used. The wood could be used for either fuel or making furniture to sit on. There was absolutely nothing that was discarded and thrown away simply for convenience sake. In today's western society, created by USA/Babylon the Great, it is a society of overabundance and waste.

Rev 18:7 *By what things she glorified herself, and luxuriated, by so much give back to her torment and mourning. Because she says in her heart, I sit as a queen, and I am not a widow; and I shall not see sorrow. End time Babylon is a trading nation that has amassed their wealth through making a worldwide trading system with the rest of the world.*

Rev 18:9 *And the kings of the earth will weep for her, and will wail over her, those having fornicated and having luxuriated with her, when they see the smoke of her burning;*

Rev 18:11 *And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn over her, because no one buys their merchandise any more,*

Rev 18:12 *Never again will there be trading of merchandise of gold, and silver, and of precious stone, and of pearls, and of fine linen, and of purple, and of silk, and of scarlet, and all aromatic wood, and every ivory vessel, and every vessel of very precious wood, and of bronze, and of iron, and of marble,*

Rev 18:13 *and cinnamon, and perfumes, and ointment, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and of bodies and souls of men.*

And in order to keep this trading system growing, and this wicked scheme expanding you need three things; one is that you need a debt based system to allow people credit to buy things whether they need them or not.

Second, you need to make sure the quality of the goods being manufactured are not that good so they will wear and break and people will need to throw them away and buy new ones. Did you know that tires could be made to never wear down and that tire manufacturers purposely make a tire to wear down at a certain amount of miles driven? This is also done with many cars and other mechanical parts and machines.

And the last thing you need is an advertising system that will constantly be affecting the minds of people to make them always feel dissatisfied with what they have and always influencing them to want and to buy more and more. This is where Satan, the prince of the power of the airwaves comes in (Eph 2:2). Through the radio, television and now Internet usage connected to Laptops, Tablets and Smart phones, Satan can actually affect most human beings every second of every day.

And unless you are taking seriously the command of Yahweh to come out of this evil end time wicked beast system and are sanctifying your life in holiness to Him, you are being affected by this throwaway society more than you know. One way to test yourself is just ask yourself a few simple questions.

- 1) How much garbage do I throw away every day?
- 2) How often do I buy new clothes, shoes, electronics, etc.?
- 3) When something breaks do I look to fix it or throw it away?
- 4) Am I willing to either buy or wear used clothing and items when I need something?
- 5) Do I try to use everything I can from everything I am blessed with or do I waste a lot of things?

When you buy chicken do you simply cut off the waste and throw it away, or do you keep it for soup stock? When I was in Africa on a mission trip helping them to build their congregational building I saw the men who were mixing cement were wearing old tires that were made into rubber boots not to get the cement on their feet, as most people could not afford to wear shoes.

When Yahshua fed the 5,000 on the Sea of Galilee was He concerned with what to do with the leftover food?

Joh 6:10 And Yahshua said, Make the men to recline. And much grass was in the place. Then the men reclined, the number was about five thousand.

Joh 6:11 And Yahshua took the loaves, and giving thanks distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to those reclining. And in the same way the fish, as much as they desired.

Joh 6:12 And when they were filled, He said to His disciples, **Gather up the fragments left over, that not anything be lost.**

Even after multiplying enough food to feed five thousand people, Yahshua still told His disciples to gather up the remainder that nothing be lost. And how much did the disciples gather?

Joh 6:13 Then they gathered and filled twelve hand-baskets with fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over to those who had eaten.

The disciples gathered up 12 hand baskets of food from the five loaves. We know in Scripture that numbers are symbolic and many times have meaning. Here we see that the reason there were 12 baskets left over was a symbol of Yahshua coming to redeem the 12 tribes of Israel. And He did this from 5 loaves; 5 being the number of His grace.

Yahshua, who came in the exact image of Yahweh His Father (Col 1:15), is a redeemer and a restorer as His Father Yahweh is. As a matter of fact, if you search through the whole Tanach and read every messianic scripture you will find the Messiah of Israel has a 3 fold purpose as a redeemer, a restorer, and a re-uniter, to unite the 12 tribes of Israel into one when He returns (Ezekiel 37:1-28). Yahshua is a restorer, not a throwaway Savior. He came for those who were lost.

Mat 18:11 For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

Mat 18:12 What do you think? If there be to any man a hundred sheep, and one of them strays away, **will he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains, and having gone he seeks the one having strayed?**

Mat 18:13 And if he happens to find it, truly I say to you that he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine not having gone astray.

Mat 18:14 So it is not the will before your Father in Heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

Unfortunately, there are many today who have a throwaway mentality, and not only with material things of commerce, but also with their very salvation. In this throwaway society many do not want to belong to the body of Messiah in a local congregation, but would rather simply glean their belief system through Satan's Internet. And just as many will leave a job or home or even a wife within 2 to 5 years in the wicked end times we are living in, many will also get baptized and make a commitment to Yahweh and after a short time will leave Yahshua's set apart congregation and stay on their own. In Satan's throwaway society they don't see the value of dedicated elders or brethren in the body of Messiah, but simply think they can do it alone. This is a selfish, throwaway mentality.

Yahweh is a family and when someone is baptized they are not joining a religion, but they are joining the very family of Yahweh. And within a family there are, besides the Father, also brothers and sisters that we are subject to and must learn to love as ourselves, and mature in the faith. How will we ever be able to prepare to be kings and priests with Yahshua in His Kingdom, serving the people of that Kingdom, if we cannot even love and serve our brothers and sisters in the body of Messiah now?

Esau, the brother of Jacob also had a throwaway mentality as for one bowl of lentils he gave away his very birthright in the Kingdom of Yahweh.

Gen 25:30-34 *And Esau said to Jacob, Please let me eat of the red, this red soup, for I am faint. On account of this his name is called Edom. 31 And Jacob said, Sell me your birthright today. 32 And Esau said, Behold, I am going to die, and what good is this, a birthright to me? 33 And Jacob said, Swear to me today. And he swore to him and sold his birthright to Jacob. 34 And Jacob gave bread and soup of lentils to Esau. And he ate and drank, and rose up and left. And Esau despised the birthright.*

The last point I want to mention is that when you have a throwaway mentality it is a totally selfish, Satanic, self-centered way of looking at life, and all you think about is what is best for you. Esau later regretted giving away his birthright, but not because he hurt Yahweh and violated His covenant, but he was simply remorseful because he saw his brother had something that he didn't have, so he started to despise the birthright.

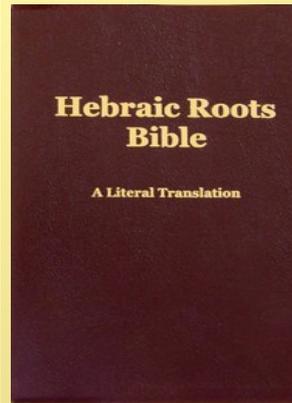
This is where the throwaway society leads to; you will never be satisfied because you will never have enough, because in this satanic system they will always have to sell you something new, something better, something more intriguing than your neighbor has, to keep the facade going. People will be jealous, dissatisfied, discontented, always wanting more. How sad that people have been hoodwinked by Satan into such an evil society that Babylon has created, but even sadder, many believers have also been hoodwinked by the Babylonian, Laodician spirit of convenience, pleasure seeking and greed.

Once, at a Biblical park in Israel, the guide was showing how ancient Israelites worked to get their olive oil, grain and food. I made the comment, "*wow, they really worked hard*", and the guide replied, "*they did not look at it that way. The way they saw it was if there was no work, then there was no food and therefore no blessing. The work was a blessing and their life.*"

I will never forget that lesson as it showed me that even after many years of being outside of Babylon I still had some of that throwaway society in me. Sadly, many who have never come to Israel and visited the Holy Land have no idea that they even have this mindset, as it is so normal to them.

Yahweh is a redeemer and our ministry in the Congregation of Yahweh Jerusalem is the ministry of reconciliation, not condemnation. But it is a mindset and a life vocation that can only come by consciously rejecting the mindset and system of Babylon daily and allowing the Spirit of Yahweh to transform your Babylonian earthly mind into the mind of Messiah.

The next time you open the trash bin, think about what you might be throwing away of Yahweh's creation. 🟡



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Answers to your Questions

Q) Upon reading Genesis 19:24 the author has placed ~on earth~ in parenthesis when it's not found? Also in Genesis 19:26 the author put Lot's wife looking back ~with pleasure~ when it's not found? Is there proof of these changes?

A) In Genesis 18 it states that Yahweh appeared to Abraham (Gen 18:1). Then, as Yahweh is speaking to Abraham He states the following:

Gen 18:17 And YAHWEH said, Shall I hide from Abraham that which I am doing?

So the Yahweh who is speaking to Abraham was here on earth and was about to destroy Sodom as He stated to Abraham. The COYJ believes this was Yahshua Yahweh the Son, as no man has ever seen Yah Yahweh the Father.

So now in Gen 19:24: *"And YAHWEH (on earth) rained fire and brimstone on Sodom and Gomorrah, from YAHWEH out of the heavens.*

Clearly there are two beings being called Yahweh in verse 24, and The Hebraic Roots Bible is concluding from chapter 18 that the first Yahweh spoken of here was the Yahweh who just spoke to Abraham in chapter 18 and told him that He was going to destroy Sodom.

On your second question on Lot's wife, if you look in Strong's Concordance, the Hebrew word nebat #5027 lists the definition as "to regard with pleasure".

Q) Is it true that everybody has a spirit of Yahweh inside them, including people worshipping on Sunday calling god and Jesus lord?

A) There is a spirit in man that gives him life:

Gen 2:7 And YAHWEH Elohim formed the man from the dust of the ground, and blew into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living soul.

By Yahweh breathing life into the man he became a living soul. This spirit in man that makes him alive is not the Holy Spirit that changes the mind of a human into the Mind of Yahweh. That Spirit is only received by repentance and baptism and the laying on of hands of an ordained elder of Yahweh.

Q) How was the earth replenished after the flood~ if incest was an abomination to Yahweh?

A) Noah's 3 sons had 3 wives who were not related to them. So, their children could have married, as there is no Biblical law against marrying cousins.

Q) Where in the Bible was it written that prayer covers all sins?

A) There is no such scripture in the Bible. Leviticus 17:11 clearly states there is no forgiveness without the shedding of blood. Only by repenting of one's sins and being baptized and accepting the shed blood of Yahshua, the eternal Son of Yahweh for the forgiveness of one's sins, can they receive forgiveness.

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Esther 5:1-3 And it happened on the third day that Esther put on royal clothing and stood in the inner court of the king's house, before the king's inner house. And the king was sitting on his royal throne in the royal house, in front of the gate of the house. And it happened, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, she was lifted up in grace in his eyes. And the king held out the golden scepter that was in his hand to Esther. And Esther drew near and touched the top of the scepter. And the king said to her. What shall be done to you, O Queen Esther, and what is your request? It will be given to you also, even up to half of the kingdom.

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